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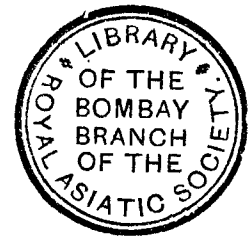

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EGMORE,
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N. KELU NAIR,
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LETTERS TO TELLICHERRY
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(VOLUME X)

(From July 1748 to July 1749.)

(First three letters are missing.)

No. 4

To the Worship [...]
Chief & [...].

[Worshll. Sir & Sirs]

Since our last advices to your [...] imported here our Honourable Masters ships Duke of Dorsett, Wager, and Hardwicke, which with the Scarbrough, have all proceeded on their Voyage to China. By the Hardwicke the Hoñble Court of Directors have sent out another Commission appointing the Hoñble Charles Floyer Esqr. President and Governour Mr. Edwd. Croke, second and to remain as such Major Lawrence third, and to remain as such Mr. Richard Prince fourth and to succeed Mr. Floyer in case of Death or Absence Mr. Thomas Sanders fifth, and to [take] the Chair should any accident happen to Mr. Prince. M[r. William] Holt sixth Mr. Robert Goodere seventh Mr. Alexr. Wynch Eighth Mr. Foss Westcott ninth of their Council of this Place.

The 25th. at Night came in two Pattamars from Y[our] Place by whom We received your Original and Duplicate [the] 10th. Instant and Yesterday We had the satisfaction to [...] Boscawen in the Namure with the Deptford and [Bomb Tender] anchore in [the Roads] We hope We shall [...] the [...] Fleet which he left in the Lattitude of 3°. North. We are

Worshll. Sir & Sirs
Your most Hble Servants
Chas. Floyer.
Edwd. Croke.
Stringer Lawrence.
W. Holt.
[A.] Wynch.

Fort St. David
the 27th. July 1748
℔ Pattamar.

No. 5

[A few lines lost]

Just [...]ying Packet was made up your advices of the 6th. Instant [came to] hand by the way of Fort. St. David. But it being necessary the Boat should not be detained We [shall] here just say that we are greatly Pleased to find that since the arri[val] of the Chief your ffactory is from a state of Wrangling Attained to that of Harmony, and, as the continuance thereof will greatly send [*sic*] to the Hoñble Companys [Intt.] as well as the care and Dispatch of Business we cannot too much enjoin the same.

We observe the mistake you found out in the quantity of Pepper in Warehouse but how your Warehousekeepr. cou'd be to negligent as to let it pass him uncorrected or even not be able to Sett right so great a Difference as One thousand Candy's by his own Head appears to us surprizing.

As we shall wrote [*sic*] you again in a few days we have only to Add that

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends

W. WAKE.
J. SEWELL.
T. DORRILL.
THOS. LANE.

BOMBAY CASTLE
[...] 21ST. 1748.
℔ RAMBAN EXPRESS BOAT.

Nº. 6

To ROBERT RAWDON ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

SINCE we wrote you under the 4th. of May ℔ Gramp[us] Sloop your Original advices of the 12th. April and 18th. May have been received and with the latter Duplicate of a Letter you wrote us under the 27th. April ℔ Salamatty express Boat wch. was by Stress of Weather drove on shore and lost on the Northern Coast a little to the Eastward of Diu and the Packet with her, but all her Crew were saved.

You did well in supplying Anjengo Factory with the sum of Fifty thousand Rupees (50,000) and as you had not contracted for any Pepper so late as the 18th. of May at which we greatly admir[e] and expect your Reasons for it we suppose you will be sufficiently in Cash to spare more for that Factory we would have you therefore send them as soon as possible a further sum of fifty thousand Rupees (50,000) or as near to that amount as your own Circumstances will admit having Regard to a sufficiency for yourselves to the end of November.

We would have you hold the Sandall Wood in Readiness to be shipt aboard at an Hours warning and keep as much Pepper Ready Garbled as you Conveniently can for being disposed of as may be [hereafter] directed.

Doubtless you have been informed from Fort St. David of the French Squadron that appear'd off there about the 9th. of June last, but as we know not their Intentions althô its generally believed that they are gone to Bengall, it behoves you to keep your Military and Gun room Crew [in] order and discipline. The Honble Company very much approved of our preparations for defence upon our hearing of the Loss of Madrass so that if you judge it necessary you may take in to pay a suitable Number of [Nairs] and Calliquiloners, but the latter look'd upon the most likely to do you Service.

Enclosed is a Copy of the 6th. Paragh. of the Honble Companys Commands of the 24th. July 1747 as also the Resolution of the General Court concerning their Settlements in India and the President now transmitts the Chief a List of ships taken up and sent out by the Honble Company.

Serjeant John Roliffstall having been Recommended to the President as a Person well deserving of Promotion, enclosed is his Commision appoint[ing] him an Ensign at your Settlement.

We observe you were [ap]prehensive of Application from the Prince for Assistance against the Cannanores, and approve of the answer you intend to give him thereupon withall signifying to him that the French Squadron as Abovementioned makes it impracticable for you to assist them with any men althô you hope, should it be necessary that his Highness will supply you with Men on your paying them as usual.

Untill we Receive the Report of the Repairs necessary to be made at Maddacarra Fort and the Syramby at Mattamy Point we cannot give you the full directions thereon, but in the Interim must Rely on your discretion in this affair as well as in things of the like nature.

We send this by the Ramban Express Boat, which is to be employed in sending hither with such material advices as may Offer And we shall shortly dispatch another for the same purpose thô we hope before that to Receive your latter advices with the usual Papers and Accounts of your Settlement when we shall be much better able than at present to give you the proper directions.

Let the Enclosed Packet for Anjengo be forwarded thither the first Opportunity that Offers. We are

SIRS
Your Loving Friends
WILLIAM WAKE.
J. SEWELL.
T. DORRILL.
THOS LANE.

BOMBAY CASTLE
AUGUST 19TH. 1748.

P.S. Upon no Acco^{t}. make any Loan of Money to the Prince but Excuse your selves in the most handsome and Plausible manner you can.

P^{R}. R.E.B.
W.W.
J.S.
T.D.
T.L.

N^{o}. 7

TO ROBERT RAWDON ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

YOUR Letter with the Warehousekeepers Indent I rec^{d}. the 27th. Instant, and agreable thereto shall provide such of the necessaries as are procurable at this season of the Year, and as they come from Inland, and desire you'l be pleased to send Casks for the Arrack.

The Directions you have given in regard to Invoices shall be duelly [*sic*] observed.

In August last I transmitted an Account Remains at this Factory, and at the same time made mention that I was unacquainted with the Cost of some articles, and in Order that they might be brought to account with the other stores desired I might be advised thereof, but no Account having been sent me till my removal to Tellicherry in May last, and not knowing whether the Account remains I sent, quadrated with your Books prevented my framing a sett of Books at this Factory and as I am still unacquainted therewith, desire you will be pleased to inform me what this Factory stands debted on your Books, as also from what date you will have the Books of this Factory begun.

As you are pleased to make mention that you will bring this Factorys Charges to Account at the end of the Year I therefore enclose you abstract thereof from the 1st. August 1747 to the 31st. July [1748 with] the Monthly Disbursements as likewise you will have seen Account Current with your Settlement for the same time, and a Cash Account from [1st.] August 1747 to 12th. May 1748 and for July 1748 being the [time he had] Charge of the Factory.

The Inventory of Plank provided for Fort S^{t}. Davids is taking and the Account thereof shall be sent you shortly.

On the 18th. Instant about One hundred Tiriumgaddy Moors plundered the House of the Principal Shroff of this place and killed two Nairs Jungadoes that were laying in the Veranda of his House, as yet the Government have done nothing [touching] this Affair except the apprehending a Merchant of Tiriumgaddy who its said will be released in [a few] days.

Serjeant [Peter Avicot] deserted from hence to the French on the 19th. Instant.

On the 24th. appeared off the Port a Dutch Europe Ship from Mocha bound to Cochin.

I have had [two of] the Samorines Ministers with me, and I made use of many argumts. to gett their Master to discharge his Debt to my Honble Employers, but they as formerly represent the large Expence he is at in the present War with the Moors, which makes him unable to discharge the Debt, and by what I could perceive from their discourse, they have no thoughts of the Samorines paying any part thereof till the troubles are at an End, which I must own at present I see little prospect of.

I demanded of the Samorines Ministers payment of the Powder and Ball, who told me their master had wrote them concerning it but as he did not direct how they were to raise the Money they must first have his orders relating thereto which when they recd. they would advise me thereof, and I am in daily Expectation to receive their Answer.

Enclosed I send you Manuel Netto's Accounts for June and my Accounts for July by which you'l please to Observe there is no Cash remaining here therefore desire a supply. I am

SIR & SIRS

Yr. most Obedt. & Hble Servt.
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

CALLICUT
[...] [1748].
℔ TONEY.

No. 8

TO THE WORSHIPFULL ROBERT RAWDON ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSHLL. SIR AND SIRS

YOUR Letter of the 30th. Ultimo came to hand the 5th. Instant in the Evening with a Packet from the Presidency.

We observe that you are ordered by the President and Council to send [us] Fifty thousand Rupees (Rs. 50,000) but as we are not very low in Cash and it may Strighten you Thirty Thousand Rupees (Rups. 30,000) will be sufficient, till we can both be farther supplyed by the Presidency which last mentioned sum you will please to send us as soon as you think proper. We now enclose you a Packet for the President and Council which you will please to forward by your Pattamar Boat.

We have no News of any kind at present. We are

WORSHIPFULL SIR AND SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
RD. BOURCHIER.
THOS. PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.
WILLIAM HORNBY.

ANJENGO
THE 7TH. SEPTR. 1748.
PR. TONEY.

N°. 9

To Robert Rawdon Esq[r].
Chief &c[a]. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

The H[awk Sloop] being detained to this Time gives us an Opportunity of acknowledging the Receipt of your Advices dated the 17[th]. June last which came to hand on the 4[th]. Instant. We admire that you had entered into no Con[tra]cts for Pepper at that Time but doubt not that you have had due regard to what we formerly wrote you in relation thereto.

We are
Your Loving Friends

William Wake.
J. Sewell.
T. Dorrill.
Tho[s]. Lane.

Bombay Castle
September 9[th]. 17[48].
℔ Hawke Sloop.

N°. [10]

To Robert Rawdon Esq[r].
Chief &c[a]. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

Enclosed is Duplicate of our last to you under the 19[th]. and 21[st]. Instant ℔ Ramban Express Boat, and we shall now reply the Needfull to Your Advices of the 6[th]. June last the receipt of which has been acknowledge[d].

This is sent ℔ Hawk Sloop M[r]. Lessly Bailley Master on which Vessell You are to load with all possible Expedition as much Pepper as she can take in consigning the same to the President &c[a]. at Bengall (and which we Expect will be more than the Grampus Sloop Carried away) [whither] you are to order the Master to proceed first calling at Fort S[t]. David for any advices the Gentlemen there may have to send to the Bay.

From the Good Character the Present Second King of Co[tiote] always bore it satisfactory for us to find that you are upon such Friendly Terms with him and if he [should] give you such Assistance as that you can recover Cacart Tupys Debt we shall not disapprove Your making him a Present to the amount of about two hundred (200) Rupees as You mention.

We formerly approved your accommodating matters with Ally Rajah giving You our Opinion likewise Concerning the Money he agreed to pay you at Stipulated Times. To which we therefore referr you and shall here add by way of answer to your Letter now before us that if the amber g[rease] he Offers in part Payment thereof is good and to any considerable amount you may receve it of him otherwise it will be better for You to refuse it in a Civil manner observing withall that unless it suited him then to pay You any considerable sum you choose to wait till it might.

We approve for the Reasons you give of your Intention to make a Battery upon the Rocks but as we have no heavy Cannon at present to spare you from our own Works you must place such Gunns there as heretofore Customary.

We observe that [you] Intended [sending] to Anjengo at the opening of the season a further supply of Eighty thousand (80,000) Rupees to make up the sum of One hundred and thirty thousand (130,000) Rupees [formerly] directed you to send thither But finding from advices lately received from the Chief and Factors there that fifty thousand Rupees (50,000) will be sufficient for their present Occasion we would have [you therefore] only send them that sum and should they hereafter want more they will write to you accordingly.

The Chief having recommended Serjeant John Christian to the President as deserving Promotion Enclosed is his Commission appointing him an Ensign at your Settlement.

Let the Enclosed Packet for the Chief and Factors at Anjengo be forwarded thither by the first convenient Opportunity.

The answer you wrote the Dutch at Cochin in reply to theirs was as much as there [was] Occasion to say and you will do right to constantly communicate to them such advices as you may from time to time receive of the French.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends
WILLIAM WAKE.
J. SEWELL.
T. DORRILL.
THOMAS LANE.

BOMBAY CASTLE
AUGUST 30TH. 1748
P. HAWK SLOOP.

N°. [11]

TO THE WORSHLL. ROBERT RAWDON ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSHLL. SIR AND SIRS

Your Letter of the 24th. of August did not come to hand till the [...] Instant afternoon which must have been a great neglect to the [...], as we have had nothing but [fanams] for some time past.

We are Obliged for the Fort St. David advices and have recd. the same from thence and hope we shall soon hear of the admirals Success.

By a Dutch Company's ship which passed yesterday from Mocha we learn that he left Captain P. Jackson there in our Honble Masters Ship Essex which is all the news we have from her.

We are
WORSHLL. SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
RD. BOURCHIER.
THOS. PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.
WM. HORNBY.

ANJENGO
THE 4TH. SEPTEMBER 1748
P. TONEY.

N°. 12

TO ROBERT RAWDON ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

YOUR Letter of the 24th. Instant with the Sum of Rups. Two thousand (Rups. 2000) has been duely received, and for which Credit will be given you.

I have already sent a Munchua with Firewood and more shall be sent you shortly.

Agreable to your directions I now return the Military.

Conformable to your Secretarys Letter I am to advise you that [there is no] Bengall Taffatys procurable here except two or three pieces that may perhaps be amongst some of the Shopkeepers.

Yesterday the Nairs Jungadoes of Callicut burnt and destroy'd the Buzar of Carranditte (near Beepore) the Occasion of this is said to be on Account that some moor Inhabitants of that place were concerned in the Robbery committed last Month in the house of Golondu Shroff. I am

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Serv^{t}.
ALEX^{R}. DOUGLAS.

CALLICUTT
26TH. SEPTEMBER 1748
℔ TONEY.

N^{o}. 13

TO ROBERT RAWDON ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

I SEND this Toney with two Europeans who came from Travencour and are willing to enter into the Military at your Settlement.

Enclosed I send you an Account of what Plank hitherto has been shown me that was provided by the late Francisco Dias for Fort S^{t}. Davids, and after I had closed the Account Manuel Netto inform'd me that there was in the Banksaull [of some] of the Merchants at the River 378 plank more from 1 to 4 Borels thick the Account of which shall be taken and sent you, as also an Account Current thereof. You will likewise receive [enclosed] an Account of such Part of the aforementioned plank as is said to be sent from hence in the Year 1744/5.

I am
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Servants [*sic*]
ALEX^{R}. DOUGLAS.

CALLICUT
THE 29TH. SEPTEMBER 1748
℔ TONEY.

N^{o}. 14

TO ROBERT RAWDON ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

THIS is purposely to Enclose you a Copy of a Letter, Received here the 24th. Instant from the President and Council of Fort S^{t}. David advising us of our Forces, having advanced within Four Hundred and Fifty Yards of the Enemys Walls. but [having nothing] more material to Communicate from

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
R^{D}. BOURCHIER.
THOMAS PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.
WM. HORNBY.

ANJENGO
THE 26TH. SEP^{R}. 1748
P^{R}. TONEY.

No. 15

To Robert Rawdon Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

By these two toneys I send you forty two Jars containing four Candies seventeen Maunds of Ghee as likewise you'l receive enclosed my Accounts for August, and September last.

I am
Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Serv^t^.
Alex^r^. Douglas.

Callicut
the 5^th^. October 1748
℔ Toney.

No. 16

To Robert Rawdon Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

This serves to enclose you an Account of the 378 Plank provided for Fort S^t^. Davids as mentioned in my Letter of the 29^th^. Ultimo, I likewise send you an Account Current of the whole quantity of plank, and such papers as were deld me at Tellicherry relating to this affair. I am

Sir and Sirs
Y^r^. most Obed^t^. Hble. Servant
Alex^r^. Douglas.

Callicut
Octob^r^. 10^th^. 1748
℔ Toney.

No. 17

To Robert Rawdon Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

On the 27^th^. Ultimo came to Hand your advices of the 19^th^. ℔ Ramban Express Boat which we now return you again that you may always have a Boat to dispatch hither on any proper Occasion.

We observe your reasons for not contracting for any pepper so late as J[une] which may be Dispenced with as you have so large a Quantity as five thousand two hundred and fifty Candys eleven Mds and twenty three Pounds (5250. 11. 23) in Warehouse but you will do well to Contract for the New Crop as early as usual and Continue that Practice in Future as formerly, the better to Prevent any Disappointm^t^. in Tonnage.

The Annual Ships from this Presidency [not] being arrived we have not receed an Indent for Cardamoms, however we would have you contract for the usual Qnantity of twelve thousand Pounds avoirdupoiz.

If the Prince has no Gratitude to the Honble Company for their Extraordinary Services to His Ancestours, and himself, it is so much his Inter[est] to be on Friendly Terms with them that you will act a kind Part by him in Endeavouring by suitable Methods, to remove such evil Councellors as and ab[out] Him.

Your Agreement with the first King of Cotiote we approve of in like manner as We did that with the Second as formerly mentioned, as it may prove advantagious to the Honble Company in Respect to the Pepper Trade and Cardamoms of his country the greatest Part of which formerly went to the French and he may be made a Check to your Prince in case he should take any Measures contrary to the Honble Company's Inter[est].

We observe what you say concern^{g}. the French Fortifying the Hill mentioned in your Letter which probably proceeds from such Reasons as you Conjecture.

M^{r}. Robinsons Request will be taken into consideration when a conveyance Offers for a covenant Servant from hence.

We are always well pleased to hear of the good Behaviour of any of the Servants, And as M^{r}. Richard Secker is represented to have applied himself so well to Business and is commenced a Factor We hope He Merits a Seat at your Board, Therefore We would have him admitted on Receipt hereof.

We esteem it very improper that any military Officers should rent the Arrack Farm or be any how concerned therein; And therefore, for the present Year, it will very much behove you to take Care that no Ills or Abuses ensue there from to the Military or others, And that the Military be not Trusted more than according to the former Standing Rules of your Garrison for that purpose.

As we want to keep as little Surplus Treasure as possible being ordered to send it to the Bay, You must send us a Calculate of Cash as soon as you can Form a Judgement of [the] Quantity of Pepper you may be able to contract for.

Concerning the Disposal of the Honble Company's Pepper in Warehouse the President now writes the Chief a Letter apart which He will Communicate to you at a proper time.

By this Boat we send [a] Box of Medecines containing such Part of your last Indent as can be spared amounting as ℔ Invoice and Receipt enclosed to Rupees [*lacuna*].

You will also receive one for Anjengo as ℔ Receipt enclosed which is to be forwarded thither by the first convenient Opportunity, as likewise our Packet for that Factory.

If any Romish Bishop or Priest should apply to you for a Passage in Order to take up his Residence here you are peremptorily to refuse it Him, till you have Orders from us to the Contrary but in case at any time a Romish Priest wants to touch here for Proceeding elsewhere You may permit of it if you think proper.

We have not as yet had sufficient time to examine the several Accounts rec^{d}. from your Factory, but the necessary Remarks will shortly be made thereon and transmitted you accordingly.

Send us by any proper Opportunity ten Chests of Wax Candles for the Use of Our Garrison.

We are
Your Loving Friends
WILLIAM WAKE.
J. SEWELL.
THOMAS DORRILL.
THOMAS LANE.

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 4TH. OCTOBER 1748.

P.S. The Invoice and Receipts of the Medecines will be sent you by another Opportunity. Let the enclosed Packet be forwarded to Cochin.

℔ EXPRESS BOAT.

N°. 18

To Robert Rawdon Esq^R.
Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

By these nine Toneys I send you Nine Masts One Boomb and eight Yards Viz^t.

Masts	Lenght Masts	Diameter Ins.
2	[46]	16 and 16¼
1	[60]	15
2	70	21
1	70	21½
1	70	22
2	80	24 and 25½
9 Masts		
1 Boomb	[60]	11
Yards	Yards	
[3]	[4] 5	13
1	46	13
2	50	13
2	60	12½
8 Yards.		

I am
Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t. Hble Servant
Alex^R. Douglas.

Callicut
the 16^TH. October 1748
P^R. Toney.

N°. 19

To Robert Rawdon Esq^R.
Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

By these six Toneys I send you the undermentioned Poon Yards, which with what sent before are all the Masts, Boombs and Yards that remained here and desire [You'l] please to advise me if you'l have any thing else of the Bombay Indents sent up.

Yards	Lenght Feet	Diameter Ins.
1	40	9
1	40	10
2	45	9
4	45	10
2	45	10½
1	45	9½
1	45	[11]

Yards	Lenght Feet	Diameter Ins.
1	[5] 5	13
1	55	14
6	from 40 to 50	from 13 to 14

[2] 0 Poon Yards

CALLICUT
21ST. OCTOBER 1748
PR. TONEY.

I am
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Hble Servant
ALEXANDER DOUGLAS.

N°. 20

OUR CHIEF AND COUNCIL OF TELLICHERRY.

ENCLOSED We send His Majestys Proclamation Di[rect]ing the Cessation of Arms as well by Sea as Land agreed upon between His Majesty the [Mo]st Christian King and the States General of the United Provinces and Enjoining the Observance thereof.

ON a Persual you may perceive that by the Preliminaries for Restoring a General Peace Signed at Aix La Chapelle on the 19th. of April last Old Stile all Hostilities either by Sea or Land against the French are to Cease in the East Indies Six Months after the said 19th. April, which must be complied with accordingly. 2

As Hostilities are Ceased, Our Ships must be Dispatched directly Home to Us after the 19th. of October next in the usual manner as before the commence-m[ent] of the War, by Directing the Commanders to proceed to our Island St. Helena, and after Refreshing there for a few Days, to make the best of their way to the Downes. 3

OUR Secret Commitee for the Current Year are Richard Chauncy Esqr. Dodding Braddyll Esqr. Harry Gough Esqr. Alexander Hume Esqr. and William Mabbott Esqr. what orders you may receive from them, or any three of those Gentlemen relating to our Ships, must be strictly Obeyed. 4

OUR Ships Marlborough, Salisbury and Britannia Arrived safe with us We thank God the 31st. March and the [Kent] and Severn at Kinsale the 21st. April last. 5

WE are preparing to Dispatch the Somerset and Pelham for the Coast and Bay, as also the Ship Dodington to Bombay, and likewise our own Ship Duke of Newcastle for Bencoolen. 6

Notwithstanding the above in case any Men of War are bound home, and any of our Ships can conveniently Join them, We would have them come in Company with such Men of War for their greater Security till further Orders. 7

We are
Your Loving Friends
RICHD. CHAUNCY.
H: GOUG[H].
M. IMPEY.
CHRIST BURROW.
WHICHCOTT TURNER.
NATH: NEWNHAM *Junr.*
THOMAS PHIPPS.
W. MUBBOTT [*sic*].
THOS. ROUS.
W. WILLY.
R. BOOTLE.
WILL: BRAUND.
ALEXR. HUME.
STEPHEN LAW.

LONDON
MARCH 10TH. 1748
RECD. THE 24TH. OCTOBER
℔ SALAMATY E.B.
Via BOMBAY.

N°. 21

To Robert Rawdon Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

We wrote you last under the 4^th^. Instant (Dup^e^: whereof is enclosed) P^r^. Rambam Express Boat, since which we have not rec^d^. any advices from your Factory. This we send ℔ Ramban Express Boat purposely to enclose [a] Packet for your Factory from the Honble Company rec^d^. the 13^th^. Instant ℔ ship Oxford from Gombroon, as likewise sundry Paragraphs of their Commands of the 25^th^. February last ℔ said Ship to this Presidency relating to your Settlement to which you are to have a due Regard.

In the former of which you will receive a Proclamation for a Cessation of Arms with France, Upon which the Honble Company have Given Orders, as you will perceive, that their Ships after the 19^th^. Instant, should be dispatched in the usual Manner as before the War but the better to Comply with their Recommendation concerning their Ships going Home in Company of some of his Majesty's, the President now acquaints the Chief in a Letter apart where they are to be met with.

As the Chief and Factors at Anjengo had in Warehouse under the 26^th^. of May last about eight hundred and fifteen Candys of Pepper besides three thousand one hundred and Seventy four Peices of Cloth, we would have you send thither one of the Ships that may come to your Port for filling up, previously lading on board her such a Quantity of Pepper as with the Goods at Anjengo (which you may know more particularly by writing thither) will compleat her Cargoe allowing for such Surplus Tonnage as the Comm^r^. may request for at half Freight.

Bombay Castle
the 15^th^. October 1748.

We are
Sirs
Your Loving Friends

William Wake.
J. Sewell.
Thomas Lane.
Hugh Symmons.

P.S. Enclosed is the Account of Medecines sent you by the last Express Boat amounting to Rupees 211. 3. 15.
Rec^d^. the 24^th^. following.
P^r^. Sallamaty.

N°. 22

To Robert Rawdon Esq^r^.
&c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

By this Toney I send you fifteen Jarrs q^tg^. thirty five Maunds of Ghee and desire you'l please to send me a supply of Cash. I am

Callicut
26^th^. October 1748.
Rec^d^. Ditto Die
℔ Toney.

Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Hum: Serv^t^.
A^x^. Douglas.

N°. 23

To the Worshipfull Robert Rawdon Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors of Tellicherry.

Worshipfull Sir and Sirs

Inclosed comes Duplicate of what we wrote you under the 12^th^. Instant by the DeLawar, by which Ship We have thought Proper not to send the Detachment belonging to your Place as she is going to Trincomalay to clean, therefore We shall send them by some Conveyance bound directly for your Place.

Fort S^t^. David
14^th^. October 1748.
Rec^d^. the 28^th^. follow^g^.
℔ Pattamar.

We are
Worshipfull Sir & Sirs
Your most Hble Servants
Charles Floyer.
Edw^d^. Croke.
Rich^d^. Prinel.
Ale^x^. Wynch
Joss Westcott. [*sic*]

N°. 24

To the Worshipfull Robert Rawdon Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

Your Letter of the 12^th^. Instant came to hand the 18^th^. with a General Letter from the Presidency a Chest of Medecines and the Pay Masters Account Sundrys Supplied our Pattamars and Toneys from August to the date of your Letter which shall be brought to the Credit of your Factory.

This comes under the Care of Serjant James Peacock who has a detatchment of a Corporal and ten men whom we have sent to receive and bring down Fifty Thousand Rupees, which please to send us on the Hoñble Companys account send on your Toneys being the most expeditious Boats.

We have no News of any kind but a story from a Cap^t^. of a Dutch Ship that 21^st^. Days ago Maddrass was Retaken by admiral Griffin which we cannot belive.

Anjengo
the 22^d^. of October 1748.
Rec^d^. the 30^th^. following
℔ Munchua.

We are
Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble Servants
Richard Bourchier.
Thomas Pattle.
Francis Fowke.
William Hornby.

N°. 25

To Robert Rawdon Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

I dispatch this Toney express with the accompanying Pattamar who arrived this Evening from Fort S^t^. David I am

Callicut
30^th^. October 1748.
Rec^d^. the 31 following
℔ Toney.

Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Serv^t^.
Alex^r^. Douglas.

N°. 26

To Robert Rawdon Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

Your Letter of the 28^th^. Instant with the Sum of Rupees three thousand (Rup^s^. 3000) I have rec^d^. and due Credit shall be given you for the same.

Conformable to your Directions I shall entertain Manuel Leon as Linguist whose pay here will commence from the 1^st^. Nov^r^.

Callicut
October 31^st^. 1748.

P.S. By this Toney you'l receive twenty large Bamboe masts.

Rec^d^. the 1^st^. November
℔ Toney.

I am
Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Servant
Alex^r^. Douglas.

N°. 27

To Robert Rawdon Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

This you will receive by three Moor Pattamars who brought your advices of the 17^th^. June, The receipt of which was acknowledged ℔ Hauk Sloop by the Honourable the President and Council, by whom I am directed to inclose you Duplicate thereof with a Packet for Anjengo and to acquaint you that those Pattamars, in their way to this Place Stop'd at Aurengabad, for Private Letters, where two of them waited eleven days with your Packet, of which the third, a thin fellow brought notice hither Wherefore the President and Council would have him gratified in a Suitable manner as an Encouragement to others in future.

Bombay Castle
the 17^th^. September 1748.
Rec^d^ the 4^th^. November
℔ Shybar.

I am
Gentlemen
Your most Hble Servant
Thomas Hodges
Secry.

N°. 28

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
PROVISIONAL CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

YOUR Letter of the 1st. Instant I have recd. and am to acquaint you that there is no prospect of being able to provide Large Poon Masts this Season, however I'll use all possible diligence to procure Teak ones, and in about fifteen days shall be able to inform you whether they are to be gott.

Enclosed I send you my Accounts for last Month, and desire you'l please to send me a Supply of Cash.

By this Munchua You'l receive two hundred Rafters 20 ft. long, 4½ Inches broad ,and 3½ Ins. thick, as also fifty nine large Bamboe Mats and two thousand five hundred mats for embaling Pepper.

CALLICUT
THE 7TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
RECD. THE 8 FOLLOWING
℔ MUNCHUA.

I am
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedt. Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

N°. 29

SIR AND SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you sixty rafters 20ft. long, and One hundred ninety 21 ft. Long, 4½ Inches broad and 3½ Ins. thick, as likewise fifty nine Perimpaes and three thousand seven hundred and fifty Mats for embaling Pepper.

CALLICUT
THE 8TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
RECD. THE 9TH. FOLLOWING
℔ MUNCHUA.

I am
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Hble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

N°. 30

SIR AND SIRS

BY these five Toneys I send you Teak Timbers. I am

CALLICUT
THE 7TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
RECD. THE 9TH. FOLLOWG.
℔ TONEY.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Hble Servant.
ALAXR. DOUGLAS.

N°. 31

To the Worshipfull Robert Rawdon Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

The 2^d^. Instant we received your Letter of the 26^th^. Ultimo with the Pacquet from the Presidency, Enclosing one from the Honble the Court of Directors, of the same Purpose with yours as to the Cessation of Arms &c^a^.

Conformable to your desire we now send you a Calculate of what Tonnage we have in [our] Warehouse, and shall be glad to know when you Expect any of our Honble Master Ships down for their dispatch.

Anjengo
the 4^th^. November 1748.
Rec^d^. the 9^th^. following
℔ Toney.

We are
Sir and Sirs
Your most Humble Servants
Richard Bourchier.
Thomas Pattle.
Francis Fowke.
William Hornby

N°. 31 [*sic*]

To Thomas Byfeld Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

I dispatch this to advise you that the Merchant who used to contract for Masts and Yards, now informs me that he will contract for one Poon Masts 85 feet long and 28 Inch^s^. Diameter to be delivered in four Months, the Price he asks is Rupees One thousand two hundred (Rup^s^. 1200) and that he shall now want to be advanced him Rupees seven hundred (Rup^s^. 700) and in the three following Mo^s^. Rup^s^. three hundred more, I therefore desire to know whether You'l please to have me contract for this Mast and advance the Money the Merchant desires, I likewise desire to know in case he sould after he has been Inland find it practicable to bring another Poon Mast of the same dimensions as above specified and at the same time, whether you'l please to have the same contracted for and money advanced for it in proportion to what he now wants for the one abovementioned.

Callicut
November 9^th^. 1748.
Rec^d^. the 10 following
℔ Toney.

I am
Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Servant
Alex^r^. Douglas.

N°. 32

Worshipfull Sir

This Calliquillone which I now send with the Letters Yesterday Ensign Wardman sent me a Letter from Tellicherry and the other Side of Cannanore he met with six or seven of the Nires [*sic*] belonging to the Prince which taken his Swoard [*sic*] from him and tied his Leggs and Beet him very much and tould him to go Back to Tellicherry again for he had no Bisness than for which I thought Proper to aquaint your Worship of the same.

Maddacarra
November the 10^th^. 1748
℔ Calliquillone

I am
Worshipfull Sir
Your Obedient Humble Serv^t^.
Benjamin Reed

N°. 33

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQ^R.
PROVISIONAL CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

THIS afternoon I rec^d. your Letter of the 9^th. Instant with the Sum of Rupees One thousand (Rup^s. 1000) which is not near sufficient for providing the Sundry Articles already indented for, therefore desire for the present a further supply of Rupees Two thousand.

The Person who offers now to contract for the Poon Mast is One Mannacaddem Cogajee who for some years past has supply'd the Honble Company with Masts, always had Money advanced him without his giving Security, and hitherto they have been no sufferers by him however as you now direct he give Security I shall send for him and endeavour to gett the same which if he refuses to do shall advise you thereof.

By this Munchua I send you two hundred and ten Teak Rafters 21 f^t. long 4½ In^s. broad and 3½ In^s. thick as likewise eighty two large Bamboe Mats and three thousand seven hundred and fifty Mats for embaling Pepper. I am

CALLICUT
11^TH. NOVEMBER 1748.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^t. Serv^t.

REC^D. THE 12^TH. FOLLOWING
BY MUNCHUA.

ALEX^R. DOUGLAS.

N°. 34

WORSHIPFULL SIR

This is to advise You that I arrived this Morning at Maddacarra with the Command and entered the river by beat of Drum and Colours flying which has made a great noise this way, I have mounted the four pound^r. Gun at Mattamy Point and have plaid [*sic*] all the Command I brought with me there likewise and have sent Serj^t. Read to take charge of that place and have given him particular orders accordingly.

I now Return the Barge and the 2 Toneys and in her comes old Tyanika Tibbee man according to Your Worships Orders.

I now likewise send a Calliquilone whom I left behind with Soopa Moopa, and whom dispatched him this morning with a Letter to me from Francis D'Souza the Assistant to the Pay Master concerning the Calliquilones pay. it seems he was met about 2 miles on t'other Side this place by 3 Nairs who examined him where he was going to, he told them to Maddacarra they asked him if his Father was there and abused him in a very gross and inssolent manner he made them no answer but marched on so I now Send him to your Worship to examine him, but in short all Our Calliquilones are afraid to goe over land at pres^t. so I hope your Worship will redress it.

I must humbly beg You will excuse brevity at pres^t. being very much out of Order but I how [*sic*] I shall be well again after a good nights rest. So conclude with the greatest Respect.

MADDACARRA
THE 12^TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
REC^D. THE 13^TH. FOLLOWING.

WORSHIPFULL SIR
Your most Obedient and most
Grateful. Humble servant
NICH^S. WARDMAN.

P.S. I know it is my duty to write to the Storek^r. and Command on returning any Stores, but I hope they will excuse me at Pres^t.

N°. 35

WORSHIPFULL SIR

THIS only accompanys a sick Topass whom I am obliged to send in the Toney he being very bad. As likewise comes a [Sn]eaker of Butter.

It seems the Prince [m]ounts a Strong Guard in Balliapa^{m}. Fort, and at Cherikuna at [present] the former of which he intends to retire into in case any thing should happen and Cunha Pokra whom your Worship knows very well has been with me this afternoon, and tells me that his Highness has delivered over the different parts of his country to the following head men Viz^{t}. to plunder from his Subjects. To Conna Croop Cherikuna and all that way, Mattamy Point and the two Islands of Muttong and Ticombar to Annanda. Madday and all that part to that V.C=n Cammall and all to the Norw^{d}. to Pattaly and the Lordship of Munderry (which is worth them all) to M^{r}. Chrissua Chetty Pattra. so that it is thought the Country will soon be ruined.

And by all relation of every body this way that the Princes Nairs are not a little Saucy and exasperated aganist the Company and the poor Ratives [*sic*] wish for nothing more than that we may thrash the Prince I persume the Barge and Toneys are arrived safe at Tellicherry and I am pretty well this inst^{t}. again.

I have nothing more materiall at pres^{t}. to communicate Sam that all the Country is in a pannick fear since my arrival with the Command here, and many people are mov'd off and still are moving, which Concludes me very respectfully.

MADDACARRA
THE 13TH. NOVEMBER 1748.

WORSHIPFULLL SIR
Your most Obedient and most Obliged
Humble Servant

NICH^{S}. WARDMAN.

P.S.
I hope you will be so good as to dispatch the Toney back again instantly on Account of shipping. N.W.

REC^{D}. THE 14TH. FOLLOWING.
℔ TONEY.

N°. 36

SIR AND SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you eight hundred Bales of Chunam.

CALLICUT
12TH. NOVEMBER 1748.

I am
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Hble Serv^{t}.
ALEX^{R}. DOUGLAS.

REC^{D}. THE 14TH. FOLLOWING
℔ MUNCHUA.

N°. 37

SIR & SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you firewood, please to advise me of the number of Billets She delivers. I am

CALLICUT
14 TH. NOVEMBER 1748.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
ALEX^{R}. DOUGLAS.

REC^{D}. THE 16 FOLLOWING
℔ MUNCHUA.

No. 38

To Thomas Byfeld Esq^R^.
Provisional Chief &c^A^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

I have received your Letter of the 13^th^. Instant with the Sum of Rupees two thousand (Rupees 2000) for which credit will be given you.

On this Munchua I have laden eighty Seven Rafters Covits $7\frac{1}{4}$ long and Borels 5 square, Teak 50 Plank covits 8 borel 13 long borel $10\frac{1}{4}$ broad, and borel 1 thick, eight Chests of Wax Candles, One hundred corge Small Bamboe Mats, two thousand five hundred Mats for embaling Pepper, Four and half Candies of Capaut Coir Three hundred and fifty Large Basketts.

Last Month I sent you several Stores indented for the use of the Presidency and [inc]luding those sent this Month, with what goes in this Munchua, there now remains no more of the Bombay Indents here, except two Chests of Candles wanting to compleat the Indent under [the] 12^th^. Ultimo.

None of the Merchants have Mangoe Plank of the thickness mentioned in your Letter of the 9^th^. Inst^t^. therefore please to advise me whether you can wait till they can procure Trees and sawy [*sic*] them into Plank.

Callicut
15^th^. November 1748.
Rec^D^. the 16^th^. following

℔ Munchua.

I am
Sir and Sirs
Your most Obedient Servant

Alex^R^. Douglas.

No. 39

Worshipfull Sir

I am obliged again to dispatch the Toney with a Topass very bad with a pain in his side.

As your Worship has enjoined me to acquaint you with every thing that may come to my knowledge, I must now acquaint You, that having had a Cow stray'd from me and was informed that she was at Cherikuna, on which this afternoon I dispatched one of Our Calliquilone Tibbeis and a Moor Man who lives under our protection in order to bring her back again, on their arrivall very nigh the Pagoda they were examined by the Nayrs (bring about 100 in Number) whom they belong'd, when they were answered by Our People that they belong'd to the Company the Nayrs abus'd them very grosly and told them to tell their Father the Captain of Maddacarra that they would come and take me and the Fort and Fling it into the Sea and in Short every body that I am acquainted with this way every hour informs me of the Nayrs insolence Towards the Honble Company, in short which is all most insufferable.

Just now Old Tyanika came to advise me that Chrissua Cutty Pattara passed Cherikuna with about 150 Nayrs, and that Annanda Croop and Conna Croop crossd over from thence towards the Northermost part of Mattamy Point nigh Urbely with a good body of Men but cannot learn their intentions, or where they

are designed for however I have sent a Cautionary letter to Serjt. Read at Mattamy Point to be on his Guard and Keep half his People on the watch at a time, and in case any thing happens I shall give him all the necessary assistance I am able which concludes me very respectfully.

MADDACARRA
THE 15TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
8 O Clock at Night.

WORSHIPFULL SIR
Your most Obedient and most Obliged
Humble Servant
N. WARDMAN.

P.S. Pray dispatch the Toney as soon as possible as perhaps we may have great occasion for her or order us 4 More Mukquas to continue her for the Presa.

Idem.
N.W.

RECD. THE 16TH. FOLLOWING.

No. 40

SIR AND SIRS

By this Munchua I send you firewood, please to advise me of the number of Billets, she delivers. I am

CALLICUT
14TH. OF NOVEMBER 1748.
RECD. THE 17TH. FOLLOWING.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

No. 41

SIR AND SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you eight hundred Bales of Chunam. I am

CALLICUT
NOVEMBER 16TH. 1748.
RECD. THE 17TH. FOLLOWING
PR. MUNCHUA.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

No. 42

TO THE WORSHLL. THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

THIS Morning we received two Letters &ca. of the 1st. and 5 Instant.

We did send 10 private Men with a Serjeant and Corporal but being forced to put into Quilone by Stress of Weather, two of them having been formerly in the Dutch Service were forced to return, for fear of being taken and punished.

We have received the three Chests of Treasure containing each ten thousand Rupees, which will be sufficient till you can conveniently send us a further Supply, it is now above two Months since we wrote you that this Sum would Suffice.

With concern we hear of the Death of Mr. Rawdon and congratulate Mr. Byfeld, on his Succession to the Chiefship.

As yet we have not received any Publick Advices from Fort S^{t}. David the Captain of the Oxford Staying at Gallee, and having sent his Packet over Land, which is not come to hand of which Captain William Steevens Commander of the DeLawar sent us advice but did not touch here. But we have not yet received any Orders from Our Presidency about the Oxford.

We observe that bad weather detained the Boats, and that you had advanced our Boat for her Provisions Rup^{s}. 11. —. 54 which shall be brought to the Credit of your Factory.

ANJENGO
THE 11TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
REC^{D}. THE 18TH. FOLLOWING
P^{R}. TONEY.

We are
WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS
Your most Hb̃le Serv^{ts}.
RICH^{D}. BOURCHIER.
THOMAS PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.
WILLIAM HORNBY.

N^{o}. 43

SIR AND SIRS

BY these five Toneys I send you two thousand five hundred Bamboes Bamboe Taules nine Long Bamboes for Ladders fifty nine. I am

CALLICUT
14TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
REC^{D}. THE 18TH. FOLLOWING
P^{R}. MUNCHUA.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Hb̃le Servant
ALEX^{R}. DOUGLAS.

N^{o}. 44

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

LAST night came to hand your Letter of the first Instant advising of the death of M^{r}. Rawdon: And as M^{r}. Thomas Byfeld is well acquainted with the affairs of your Settlement, he is appointed to Succeed him in the Chiefship thereof, and likewise to be a Member of Council at this Presidency according to his standing in the Service. Enclosed is his Commission.

BY the first Ship you will be Supply'd with Cash sufficient for your present occasions, and when we receive your Calculate, we shall send you what may be further requisite.

On a supposition that the money sent on a neutral Ship to Mangulore for the Provision of [Rice] was done before you received advices of the Cessation of Arms, we approve thereof tho' the quantity by the sum sent appears to be large, unless you intended to supply Anjengo, and with regard to which we shall only here further observe, that when such large sums are to be laid out the Hoñble Company expect some of their Servants should be employed in the transaction.

The Muster of Ally Rajahs Amber Greace which you sent us appears to us to be of little or no value, but when we have consulted those who are better Judges we shall write you again.

BOMBAY
THE 8TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
REC^{D}. THE 18TH. FOLLOWING
P^{R}. RAMBAN E. BOAT.

We are
Your Loving Friends
W. WAKE.
J. SEWELL.
THOMAS LANE.
H. SYMMONS.

N°. 45

GENTLEMEN

I AM directed by the Hoñble the Mayors Court to Acquaint you that as yet no Application has been made to them for Letters of Administration to the Estate of M^r^. Jeynson late of y^r^. place deceased whom they are Informed died Intestate, Wherefore they would have you grant Temporary powers to Act by to the Widdow of said deceased, or in case she does not Chuse to apply for the same, you are desired to Inform this Court thereof, to the End that they may appoint some proper person to take Charge of said Estate so that the proper Heirs may not suffer.

Enclosed is an Inventory of the Estate of Lieutenant Peter Fondell late of y^r^. place also deceased Taken by M^r^. Thomas Byfeld as attorney for Cap^t^. William Lane the administrator to said Estate to which you will please to swear M^r^. Thomas Byfeld desiring first that a particular List of all Debts mentioned in the N.B. to said Inventory may be Annexed thereto and return the Same to this Court by the first safe Conveyance that offers.

SIGNED BY ORDER OF THE COURT

BOMBAY TOWNHALL THE 8^TH^. NOV^R^. 1748.
REC^D^. THE 18^TH^. FOLLOWING
P^R^. RAMBAN E. BOAT.

WILLIAM SHAW
Reg^r^.

N°. 46

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQ^R^.
CHIEF &C^A^. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you two Chests of Wax Candles, fifteen hundred Mats for embaling Pepper, one hundred thirty four Powder Chests thirty Seven large Bomboe Mats, one thousand five hundred and ten small Baskets, One hundred and fifty large Baskets and fine Chunam eight Bales.

Not being able to gett from any of the Samorines Ministers that are in Callicut payment of the Powder and Shott you supply'd the Samorine with in January last, I therefore wrote him a few days agoe desiring he would give Orders for the payment, and our Jungadoes returned with an Ola from Bellyaner Telechenour wherein excuses are still made for not discharging the same, as you'l see by the said Ola which now goes enclosed. I am

CALLICUT
19^TH^. OF NOVEMBER 1748.
REC^D^. THE 20^TH^. FOLLOWING
℔ MUNCHUA.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obed^t^. Servant
ALEXANDER DOUGLAS.

N°. 47

TO THE WORSHIPFULL ROBERT RAWDON ESQ^R^.
CHIEF &C^A^. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSHIPFULL SIR AND SIRS

AGREABLE to our Hoñble Masters directions We now dispatch to You their Ship DeLawar to take in the Sandall Wood, which You have ready for her, in Consequence of their orders. We have put on board her Ten Chests of Treasure, and she must as soon as she has received her Loading from You be dispatched for Benjar and China.

With this Ship We also dispatch our Honble Masters Ship Oxford for to compleat her Loading at Anjengo which should she not be able to effect there We have desired She may be sent on to you and you will therefore fill her up and dispatch her to England. and for your having directions for so doing from Bombay. We have wrote to the President and Councill there and We hope they will arrive with you before the Ship; The DeLawarr having [*lacuna*] Tons of Iron on board which cant be got at here, We desire you will take care to receive it at Your Place.

FORT ST. DAVID
12TH. OCTOBER 1748.
RECD. THE 19TH. NOVEMBER
P SHIP DELAWARR.

We are
WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants,

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDW: CROKE.
RICHARD PRINCE.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXR. WYNCH.
JOSS WESTCOTT [*sic*].

No. 48

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

I DISPATCH this Toney Express with the accompanying Packet received this day Via Anjengo. I am

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedt. Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

CALLICUT
20TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
RECD. THE 21ST. FOLLOWING
PR. TONEY.

No. 49

TO THE WORSHIPFULL THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

HEREWITH you will Receive a Packett for the Presidency which we desire may be forwarded with all possible Expedition as it Relates to the Loading of our Honble Masters Ship Oxford for which we have not receed any orders from our Presidency and she is waiting at Gallee for Orders for her proceeding.

ANJENGO
THE 15TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
RECD. THE 21ST. P TONEY *Via* CALLICUT.

We are
SIR AND SIRS
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BOURCHIER.
THOMAS PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.
WILLIAM HORNBY.

N°. 50

SIR AND SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you firewood please to advise me of the number of Billets she delivers.

I am
SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

CALLICUT
20TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
RECD. THE 23D. FOLLOWING.
PR. MUNCHUA.

N°. 51

SIR AND SIRS.

BY this Munchua I send you firewood please to advise me of the Number of Billets she delivers.

CALLICUT
THE 22D. NOVEMBER 1748.

I am
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Hble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

RECD. THE 23D. FOLLOWING
PR. MUNCHUA.

N°. 52

TO THE WORSHIPFULL THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
AND THE COUNSEL OF TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

YOURS of the 23d. Instt. I was favor'd with, with Orders. to land the Honble Company's 50 Tons of Iron from On board the DeLaWarr wee have since been employ'd On board to gett the same to hand with the utmost deligence and must beg leave to inform your Worshipll. the the [*sic*] Iron being under all our watter buttes. fore and aft in the shipss. hold down on the florer of the ship that it have takeing much time to gett it to hand for landing hope this day it will be all On shour then must desier your Worshpll. indu[lgen]ce two dayss. to hoot Ship to scrubb her bottom before wee take on board the Honble Companys Wood, our Ship is very foul, being off the ground above eighten Months, and did not think it Consistent with the dispatch of the Voyage to stop and Clear att Trinkamala on the Island [Zealone] as was intended when wee left Fort St. Davids. Octr. the 15th. 1748 by the Consent of the Governour and Counsel for I finding when off the Island the Novr. wind was sott in Stronge and browd write into that harbour that I was doubtfull wee could not be able to have gett out again for sum time that might be very hartfull to our intended voyage so proceeded round the Island for this Coast with all expedition, hope for this reason you will favour me with a little time to Clean them wile take On board the Honble Company's wood soon in Order to receive your Worshipll. Dispatches to proceed on my intended Voyage.

Your Worshipll. was likewise pleased to inform me of the Honble Companys Orders that no Gun fire Arm's or Warlike Stores of any kind whatever shall be sould out of the DeLawar att any of their Settlements on this side of India Your Worship my depend on myself and Officers. strick Complyance with it and every other command youl lay on me.

And as you further desier to know if any Souldier or Sailor in the Hoñble Companys Service have deserted on board my ship since our Arrival in India I now asoner [*sic*] your Worship[s]. that not One have come on board nor shall not on any pretence but by your Orders in writeing now having Answard your Worship[l]. Letter must beg leave to Conclude.

TELLICHERRY
NOVEMBER THE 24TH. 1748.

Your Worship[l]. most Obedient Humble Servant to Command

WILLIAM STEEVENS.

REC[D]. THE 25TH. FOLLOWING.

No. 53

SIR AND SIRS

BY these Three Toneys I send you six Teak Timbers. I am

CALLICUT
23[D]. NOVEMBER 1748.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
ALEX[R]. DOUGLAS.

REC[D]. THE 26TH. FOLLOWING
℔ TONEY.

No. 54

TO THE WORSHP[LL]. THOMAS BYFELD ESQ[R].
CHIEF &C[A]. FACTORS.

WORSHIP[LL]. SIR AND SIRS

AGREEABLE to an order from the Chief Yesterday I have been on board the ship DeLaWarr & duely Survey'd her for which Purpose I took with me the Gunner M[r]. Hogg. I now enclose you a Muster Roll of her People at the Foot of which you will please to observe that a Strict Enquiry has been made by me of the Comm. and Officers whether any soldiers or sailors belonging to any of the Hoñble Companys Settlements in India were on board who have assured me there were on [*sic*] and have accordingly signed Jointly with me. This Ship every away fitted out as Guns shot ammunition &c[a]. agreeable to Charterparty the Gunner having duely surveyed them.

TELLICHERRY
NOVEMBER 29TH. 1748.

I AM with Respect
WORSHIPFULL SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
CHARLES WATERS.

No. 55

SIR AND SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you Firewood, please to advise me of the Number of Billets She delivers. I am

CALLICUT
NOVEMBER 28TH. 1748.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
ALEX[R]. DOUGLAS.

REC[D]. THE 29TH. FOLLOWING.

No. 56

GENTLEMEN OF COUNCIL AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

WE have been honoured with Your Answer to the Letter we wrote you Yesterday, requesting that you would be pleased to advise at what Time the Cessation of Arms Signed in Europe by the Plenepotentiaries of our respective Sovereigns the 19th. April last should take Effect and when End.

You are pleased to Answer that w^{t}. wrote us the 26th. October last N.S. was agreeable to the advices rec^{d}. from Your Honble Company and the Proclamation issued by Order of the m[ost] Serene King of England Extract therefore of either one or other Attested by you will be sufficient.

You Answer also that if we will send any one To Tellicherry or appoint a place between Mahie and Tellicherry for an Enterview you will there produce and Show both one and the other paper. We have the Honour to represent to you that the Accepting of either one or the other of those propositions would be of no great signification it being always necessary that you should Certify to us truly and in writing w^{t}. you have already represented to us in English now here understand it being we presume the most short way if agreeable to send us the Extracts Attested by you in the English Language and its Translation in Portuguese.

In regard to w^{t}. Concerns the Measures which both may take for the Benefit of the two Settlements we have only to say that we are always ready to Give attention to any Thing you may please to propose.

We have the Honour to be Perfectly.

MAHIE — GENTLEMEN
DECEMBER 11TH. 1748. O.S. — Your most Humble and most Obed^{t}. Servants
REC^{D}. THE 30TH. NOV^{R}. 1748. N.S. — LOUET.
BOURGUENANT [*sic*].

N^{o}. 57

SIR AND SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you Firewood, please to advise me of the Number of Billets she delivers. I am

CALLICUT — SIR AND SIRS
THE 30TH. NOVEMBER 1748. — Your most Hble Serv^{t}.
REC^{D}. THE 2^{D}. DECEMBER FOLLOW^{G}. — ALEX^{R}. DOUGLAS.
P^{R}. MUNCHUA.

N^{o}. 58

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

WE wrote you last under the 8th. Instant ℔ Express Boat and this You will receive ℔ Orford Captain Philip Jodrell Comm^{r}. on which Ship and the Streatham we have laden ten Chests of Treasure amounting with Stationary Ware and Sundry Stores for your Factory and Anjengo to Rupees 105950. 2. 45 as P^{r}. Invoice and Bills of Lading enclosed.

We have Shipt on the Orford in Part of her Cargoe for Great Brittain 75 Tons 228 Dec^{ls}. as ℔ Calculate of her Tonnage enclosed. The remainder of which we at first intended should have been compleated at Anjengo, but as we expect the Oxford from Fort S^{t}. David has taken in the greatest Part if not all the Goods lying there (of which you must certainly be advised from thence in consequence of our former Orders) we leave it to you to send her to that Port for receiving Goods accordingly You shipping on board her such a Proportion as with what may remain at Anjengo will compleat her Loading allowing likewise for Surplus Tonnage. But should the Anjengo Warehouses have been near cleared by the Oxford or you Judge the Orford cannot be dispatched thence by the 18th. December when her Demorage commence she is in such case to be fully loaden by you, and when you have shipt on board as much Pepper as the Commander may engage to carry home at half Freight you are to deliver him his final Dispatches for Great Britain. And we enjoin you to give her the quickest Dispatch possible.

The Hoñble Company having been pleased to direct in their Commands of the 13th. January 1747 that the Rate of Exchange between Bombay and England should continue accordg. to their last Regulation untill they Judged proper to make an Alteration you are to regard the same in case of your drawing any Bills on them and should the Comr. or Officers of the Orford pay any Money into your Cash you are to grant them Certificates for the same in the usual Manner.

Captain Joddrell not having given in here any account of this Private Trade you are to require it of him swearing him thereto in the usual manner, transmitting the same to the Hoñble Company on his ship. We would have you lade on board the Streatham with all possible Expedition the Masts & Stores formerly indented for with as much Pepper as she can conveniently take in, And in case you have not a Grab with you before you return her we would have you put an Ensign's Command on board her (which you can now spare as there is a Cessation of Arms) recommending to the Commander if he comes up a single Ship not to keep along ashore, It may indeed be reasonably expected he will have the Opportunity of coming up in Compy. of a Man of War or some of the Hoñble Company's Ships, although he must not wait for any of them after you can dispatch him, that he may be returned home a timely Ship.

Captain Crabb in the ship Durrington being in want of a main Mast &ca. for said Ship his Carpenter now proceeds on the Streatham to get the same ready you are therefore to afford all suitable Assistance therein.

We have not sent you any Iron as you will have an opportunity of taking as much as you want out of some of the Hoñble Company's Ships from Fort St. David. Let the enclosed Indent be complied with as soon as possible.

The Gunner of Anjengo Factory being desirous to be relieved on Account of an ill State of Health, Let Josiah Farrin be sent thither by the first Opportunity to supply his Place.

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 23D. NOVEMBER 1748.

RECD. THE 3D. DECEMBER FOLLOWG.
℔ SHIP ORFORD.

We are
Your Loving Friends
WILLIAM WAKE.
J. SEWELL.
THOMAS LANE.
HUGH SYMMONS.

No. 59

SIR

THERE Being four Anchors sent on Board the Orford which are so Large that I cannot Get them Down my Hatch ways and haveing my whole stock of Provisions and Water in, and finding my Ship from Bombay hence very Crank Cannot Carry them without Starting some of my Water and unstowing my Ship which will Occasion my longer stay at Ye. next Port.

WITHOUT DATE
RECD. THE 4TH. DECEMBER 1748.

I am
SIR
Your most Hble Servt.
PHILIP JODRELL.

No. 60

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

THIS Morning we recd. your Letter of the 21st. Instant and with it two Chests of Treasure as Pr. Invoice amounting to Rups. twenty thousand (Rs. 20,000) which shall be brought to the Credit of your Factory.

We observe your reasons for not sending away your only Pattamar Boat and if Mr. Bourchier's Lre arrive safe with the President he says that he has advised his Honour of the Oxfords waiting for orders at Gallee.

Your Detachment is returned by your Munchua.

A Squadron consisting of the Exeter, Harwich and Lynn King's ships [and] the Royal Duke and Elizabeth belonging to the Honble Company are now standing into the road under the Command of the Honble Harry Powlett Esqr.

ANJENGO
THE 28TH. NOVEMBER 1748.
RECD. THE 6TH. DECEMBER FOLLOWG.
℔ MUNCHUA.

We are
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
RICHARD BOURCHIER.
THOMAS PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.

No. 61

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

YOUR Letter of the 5th. Instant I received ℔ Stretham and after having used all possible diligence find the Sundry Articles mentioned in your indent can't be procured within the time limited, and there remaining here noting [*sic*] of any former Bombay Indents, I have therefore given Captain Pennel his dispatches directing him to proceed to your Port. I am

CALLICUT
8TH. DECEMBER 1748.
RECD. THE 9TH. FOLLOWING
PR. STRETHAM.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedt. Hble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

No. 62

SIR AND SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you five hundred Sheathing Plank being part of the quantity provided for Fort St. Davids.

Our Honble Masters Ship Royal Duke anchored here this Morning, and this Evening appeared in sight four Ships which I take to be the Fleet under the Command of Commodore Powlett who sent the Royal Duke here to take in the Mast wanted for me of his Majestys Ships which Mast I have informed Capt. Cummings is not ready.

CALLICUT
9TH. DECEMBER 1748.
RECD. THE 12TH. FOLLOWING
℔ MUNCHUA.

I am
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedient Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

No. 63

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

MR. BOURCHIER having forwarded the President a Letter from Captain Thomas Steevens Comr. of the Oxford informing him of his being in want of some Men to Navigate this Ship Home we now send you four Europeans and eighteen Topasses in this Express Boat, whom you are to forward to the Chief and Factors at

Anjengo with all possible Expedition transmitting them at the same time the Original Contract entered into by the Europeans as likewise the Gener[l]. Abstract enclosed which contains their Names and the Wages they have been advanced and are to receive with Provisions &c[a]. Necessaries sent on board for their Use amounting in the whole to Rupees nine hundred fifty six two Quarters and sixty three Reas. But should the Oxford for want of Goods sufficient there to fill her up have proceeded to your Settlement, You are then to deliver the People to the Commander on his paying you the sum abovementioned, with this Difference only that if he should not want the Copper Ware you are to keep it deducting its Amount accordingly.

Observing by accounts from your Factory that when any of the Military are sent on Duty to the Island of Durmapatam it is usual to make them an Allowance for their Provisions althô Provisions of all sorts are cheaper there than at Tellicherry We would therefore have that Expence cease from receipt hereof: But to remedy any Inconvenience such Peoples Families may sustain thereby we think it best that one of your Lieutenants with his Company should be constantly stationed there. And which may likewise be of great Use in Cultivation of that Island.

Let the enclosed Indent for the Use of our marine be complyed with as soon as possible and forwarded hither by such good Conveyances as may Offers.

Such Bales of Cloth as you may receive from Anjengo we would have you send home as Opportunities may Offers.

In regard to the Amber Grease offered by Ally Rajah in part of his Debt the Muster you sent us has been examined by proper Judges and we believe a small Quantity would sell either here or at Surat for abo[t]. two Rupees the Rupee Weight, and if he chuses it he may send what Quantity he has on any ship bound hither or to Surat with a Person to dispose of it at publick Outcry or if he does not like the Price he may order it to be bought in. The muster is now returned you.

Let the enclosed Packet be forwarded to Anjengo with all convenient expedition.

BOMBAY
THE 6TH. DECEMBER 1748.
REC[D]. THE 12TH. FOLLOWING.
℔ EXPRESS BOAT.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends
W. WAKE.
J. SEWELL.
THOMAS LANE
HUGH SYMMONS.

N°. 64

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQ[R].
CHIEF &C[A]. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

THIS is purposely to desire you'l please to send me a supply of Cash, of about Rupees three Thousand (Rup[s]. 3000) I am

CALLICUT
THE 12TH. DECEMBER 1748.
REC[D]. THE 13TH. FOLLOWING
℔ TONEY.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedient Hble Servt.
A[R]. DOUGLAS.

N°. 65

To the Worshipfull Thomas Byfeld Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

Your favour of the 30^th^. Ultimo Came to hand the 5^th^. Instant and we immediately dispatched The Honble Company's Sloop with your. Letter to Captain Thomas Stevens Commander of the Oxford and a Copy of your Paragraph to us about his Ship, and gave him our Opinion that he had best proceed directly to Tellicherry that he may be Loaded in time to save Admiral Griffen's Convoy.

We have informed Captain Roderick Forbes of your Complaint of his irregular proceeding, in sending Arms to the Prince of Tellicherry his excuse is Ignorance of its being a Crime and promises heartly not to be guily [*sic*] of the like in future as P^r^. Copy of his Letter to our Board enclosed.

Commodore Powlett with his Squadron left us the 5^th^. Inst^t^. at night and we belive will stop at Tellicherry with them went the Honble Com^ys^. Brilliant Snow from Fort S^t^. David bound to Bombay to Refitt.

Enclosed comes an Account of Necessaries supplied your Toneys amounting to Rupees four and sixty seven Reas (R^s^. 4. —. 67).

There is a Sail in sight to the Northward which we take to be the DeLaWarr.

Anjengo
the 7^th^. December 1748.
Rec^d^. the 13^th^. following
℔ Boat.

We are
Sir and Sirs
Your most Humble Servants
Richard Bourchier.
Thomas Pattle.
Francis Fowke.
William Hornby.

N°. 66

To Thomas Byfeld Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

Captain Powlett of his Majesty's Ship Exeter having acquainted me by letter of his sending the Carpenter of the Harwich to me to see if there were any Timbers in the Place fitt to make a Mast and Chuks off, I immediately sent the said Carpenter to look at what were here and he pitched upon six Teak Timbers which agreable to Cap^t^. Powletts request I have shipt on board the Royal Duke, the Account, of their Cost and Charges goes enclosed and for which sum I shall Debt the Honble Company in this Months Acco^t^. not having rec^d^. their Cost from Captain Powlett. I am

Callicut
the 11^th^. December 1748.
Rec^d^. the 13^th^. following
℔ Royal Duke.

Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Servant
A^r^. Douglas.

N°. 67

Sir and Sirs

By this Munchua I send you Firewood, Please to advise me of the Number of Billets she delivers. I am

Callicut
11^th^. Dec^r^. 1748.
Rec^d^. the 14^th^. following
℔ Munchua.

Sir and Sirs
Your most Hble Serv^t^.
A^r^. Douglas.

No. 68

WORSHIPFULL SIR

THIS is only to advise you by the return of this Munchua loaded with Cattle that Angria is Off Mount Dilly with five Grabs and about 25 Gallivats he sometimes stands to the Southwd. and then Tacks about to the Northwd. and often sends some of his Gallivats pretty nigh in shore under Mount Dilly. the Fisherman say he has another fleet cruising between Mangulore and Ramdilly and that his People on board are very Numerous.

I have now ready 40 head of Cattle and believe shall be able to procure about as many more in four days if his Majesties Ships stay so long which is all that is materiall this way at prest. concludes me very respectfully.

MADDACARRA
THE 15TH. DECR. 1748.
RECD. THE 16TH. FOLLOWING
℔ SEEPOY.

WORSHIPLL. SIR
Your most Obedient and most H̃ble Servt.
NICHS. WARDMAN.

No. 69

SIR

As I have a great Number of Men sick belonging to his Majestys Ship under my Command, I beg the Favour you will let Mr. Harries Party (or any other you shall think Proper) Continue on board her.

DECEMBER
THE 16TH. 1748.

I am
SIR
Your most Humble Servant
HARRY POWLETT.

No. 70

WORSHIPFULL SIR

THIS serves to advise You that Our Ships appeared off this place about four aClock in the afternoon, at the same Time Angrias Fleet consisting of seven Grabbs and seven Gallivats stood right in shore from the westward but I suppose not liking Our Ships he tack'd about and bore away to the westward again and our Ships after them with all the sail they could and 2 of them came within Gun shortt [*sic*] of his Fleet about an hour after 5 when the Commodore (I suppose) fired a Gun and hoisted his Colours and all the rest did the like when he and another Man of War fired many shott at Angria's Commodore, who returned two Guns and crowded all the sail he Could to the Northwd. but our Ships endeavour'd all they could to stretch a head and to get to Windward of his Fleet which if they could have had the Good fortune to have done in course all his Grabbs must have fallen into Our Ships hands but the wind set right from the N.W. so that Angrias stretch'd ahead and towards the Close of the day Our Ships fired many Guns at him and then tack'd about and stood to the westward I suppose to got [*sic*] a good Offing to stand after him they being pretty nigh in shore however in my Opinion Angria cannot weather the point of Mount Dilly to night so that he seems to stand right into the Bay, where I am apt to believe Our Ships will have him in the Morning

I have had 45 head of Cattle ready these three days for Mr. Robinson and have wrote to him two or three times desiring him to send to fetch them as I cannot pretend to keep them here it being so much trouble and risque of leaving them by breaking there cords and running away so hope Your Worshipfull be so good as to Order some conveyance for them as they grow lean likewise.

MADDACARRA
THE 17TH. DECEMBER 1748.
left me at the 7 o' Clock at Night
℔ SEEPOY.

I am
WORSHIPLL. SIR
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
N. WARDMAN.

No. 71

SIR,

I RETURN you thanks for sending my people, as you desire it they shall be pardoned, but I must not do it directly for they are petty Officers and its a bad Example. Icame up with Angria Yesterday Afternoon several of my Shot reached him and one we saw go through his sail, he run in Shore and I continued Contrary to his Expectation to fall close in with him again at 9 O'Clock in the Night, had the wind held a Quarter of an hour I realy believe I should have taken three of his Grabs, but it falling calm, at that Instant the Gallivats Towed him of before I could bring many Gape to bear and I lay Murled between the land and sea wind I am driving the Dog to the Northwd. as fast as I can he is Now about four mile to the N.W., of me and we are two or three Leagues past Mount Dilla. I beg my Compliments to the Gentlemen at Tellicherry &

SUNDAY MORNG. 7 O'CLOCK
DECEMBER THE 18TH. 1748
RECD. THE 19TH. FOLLOWING

I am
Your most Obedt. Hble Servant
HARRY POWLETT.

No. 72

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

I HAVE duely recd. both your Letters of the 13th. and 14th Instt. the Indent which came enclosed in the former shall be comply'd with so soon as possible

The sum of Rupees three thousand I have recd. and for which credit will be given you

Enclosed you'l receive my Accounts for last Month

CALLICUT
THE 20TH. DECR. 1748.
RECD. THE 21ST. FOLLOWING
PR. TONEY.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

N°. 73

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

THE Orford arrived in Our Road late at night the 14th. Instant the 15th. the Commander came ashore and Yesterday afternoon we begun to load her. We are also Examining the Stores recd. by her and in our next shall inform You whether they come out agreeable to Invoice received Excepting the Anchors he cou'd not take in.

The Copy of the Several Paragraphs of the President and Councils Commands we have also received and due Obedience shall be paid them.

Mr. Josiah Ferren our Gunner is also arrived.

This Morning We received Your Letter of the 12th. Inst. with your Box and Pacquet directed to the Honble the Court of Directors which shall be delivered to Captain Philip Jodrell and Receipt taken as Usual.

The Pacquet from the Presidency we have also received and Observe that the Squadron under the Command of Commodore Pawlett is arrived with you.

ANJENGO
DECEMBER 17TH. 1748
PR. TONEY.

We are
SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
R. B.
T. P.
F. F.
W. H.

N°. 74

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
&CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

It was with Concern, We heard this morning from our President the news of Mr. Rawdons Death, which He received last Night.

The Occasion of this is Chiefly to advise you that as Mr. Rawdon wrote our President the 22d. August last there was five thousand two hundred and eighty Candys of Pepper at your Place, We have come to a Resolution (As We understand from Admiral Boscawen that he will return all the Companys Ships to Us soon) to send the Colchester to take in a Loading thereof; and shall accordingly Dispatch her to you in few Days, and desire you will let us know the Quantity You will have Remaining when she is filled. We are

FORT ST. DAVID
6TH. DECEMBER 1748.
RECD. THE 23D. FOLLOWING
℔ PATTAMAR.

SIRS
Your very Hble Servants
CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWD. CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICHD. PRINCE.
AR. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

N°. 75

WORSHIPFULL SIR

I RECEIVED your favour last night about Sunsett, and accordingly fired ten half minute Guns in memory of that Good old friend and faithfull Servant Domingo Rodrigues his death has struck a terrible damp this way amongst the Mallabars and many have shed Tears for him.

Angria weighed anchor Yesterday in the afternoon from the westward, and bore away right for Mount Dilly, and came to an anchor on this side of it about Sunset with six Grabbs and three Gallivats and a Munchua in Tow, which they broght with them from the westward. his Gallivats cruize to the Northw^{d}. and Southw^{d}. of the Point with Munchua Sails so that they pick up and chase all the Boats that came in Sight, and [raid] or can you discern his Grabbs (which are now at anchor under the Mount) till you are close uppon him and have struck all their Topmasts to disguise themselves I suppose, I kick the Round Boats as far to the Northw^{d}. as safety will permit, to watch his [...], and have sent a Spy To Pudiangady to learn if the inhabitants or Camall have any Correspondence with Angria during his riding at Anchor near their Shore, but he is not as Yet Returned, when he does shall advise Your Worship if he continues in that Station long he will pick up a Number of small [...] from the northw^{d}. as they must infallibly fall into the Jaws of him before they know it is him. and its allmost impossible for any boat to pass him from the Southw^{d}. to give notice of his being there as his Gallivats are rowing and sailing about the Point Day and Night in such a disguis'd manner. I have nothing more materiall to advise you of at present save that I am with respect.

WORSHIPFULL SIR
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Serv^{t}.
NICH^{S}. WARDMAN.

MADDACARRA
THE 28TH. DECEMBER 1748.
REC^{D}. DITTO DIE
P^{R}. CALLIQUILONER.

N°. 76

WORSHIPFULL SIR

This serves to advise Your worship, that the round Boat that came in this Morning is now come in again to boil rice, but say they have seen nothing of the other Two round Boats since last night, so I suppose they have made a Trip to Moylan where they belong to but they had no such Orders from me, so hope Your worship will enquire into it as we cannot discern them neither to the Northw^{d}. or Southw^{d}. the Mucquas that are now come in say another Grabb has Joind the fleet I wrote You of in the morning & above fifteen Gallivats more and all are at Anchor under Mount Dilly, which I thought necessary to advise you of.

I am
WORSHIPFULL SIR
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Servant
N. WARDMAN.

MADDACARRA
THE 28TH. DECEMBER 1748.
REC^{D}. THE 29TH. FOLLOWING
P^{R}. CALLIQUILONER.

N°. 77

WORSHIPFULL SIR

THIS Serves to advise you that I sent a Moor and a Calliquilone this afternoon to Pudiangady, to enquire of Angria's People landed there to take in any Supply of wood water &c^{a}. when they Returned this evening about Seven oClock and brought me word that they were informed by a Fisherman of that Place, that a Subedar of Angrias fleet (the same that landed last Year) had been ashore with some people and had a conference with Camall of Maddy, but what was the correspondence they held between one another they could not find out, but that Angria's Officer was well receed by Camall and was supply'd with Necessary's he wanted and parted very good friends, and they give out that Angria was to Sail to night, but which way they could not learn. they likewise further informed me that a Munchua belonging to Ally Rajah loaded with Rice from Mangulore was Stopt by his fleet Yesterday and they took out of her ten Bales and then let her proceed to Cannanore unmolested, they were likewise informed that they had another fleet off Mangulore, and had taken six Bumbaloos, and another off Callicut loaded with Cotton blew Cloths &c^{a}. Camalls errand from Maddy to Mount Dilly was it seems to cutrock Stones of such a length and breadth for the Service of the Prince, but I am opt to believe that was only to blind the Country People that he might have a plausible opportunity of Seeing of Angrias People and he to night stays in the Mosque at Pudiangady.

I now send the Calliquilone and the Moor Man that your worship may examine them, but beg the latter you will doe in a secret manner as his family lies under the Princes protection if he deserves any thing for his trouble I dont doubt but your worship will Requite him.

I receed Your favour to night with the leaf page 91 and 92 and in regard to the Paragraph You mention about the Linguist's Death how it is taken at Cherika, I am informed the Prince is not a little elevated, and every body thinks this way that he will give us some trouble, and [indeed] I am of the same Opinion, however I shall watch his, and Camalls motions and all other Enemies of the Honble Company's and shall advise your Worship of every step that is taken as far as comes to my knowledge so Conclude very respectfully.

MADDACARRA
THE 28TH. DECEMBER 1748.
LEFT ME AT NINE A CLOCK AT NIGHT.

WORSHIPFULL SIR
Your most Ob^{e}. Hble Serv^{t}.
N. WARDMAN.

P.S. The two Round Boats that I wrote you about this afternoon, if they are not gone to Moylan I suppose are shulking some where to the Southw^{d}. till they hear of Angrias fleet Sailing.

REC^{D}. THE 29TH. FOLLOWING
P^{R}. CALLIQUILONER.

N°. 78

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

ON the 24th. Ultimo we received your Advices of the 13th. ℔ Express Boat, and on the 2^{d}. Instant those of the 16th. ℔ Ship Stretham to which we shall reply in a few days ℔ Durrington. This Boat being dispatched Chiefly to direct you to provide Sundry Goods as ℔ List enclosed for Ship Durrington's Voyage to

Mocho, which on her Arrival are to be delivered to her SupraCargoes but the Voyage is to be provided with Pepper out of the Hº. Company's Warehouse and not at Callicut as was idly done by the Chief and Factors for ship Essex in the Year one thousand seven hundred and forty six.

For want of your Estimate of Cash, which we expected to have received we cannot supply you with any Certainty However we shall shortly send you a sufficiency so as to enable you to contract for Pepper in time lest the French should be supplied with Treasure for that Purpose.

Let the enclosed Indent for Timber for Dock Gates be complied with, with all possible Expedition.

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 6TH. JANUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 13TH. FOLLOWING
P. SALLAMITY EX. BOAT.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends
WILLIAM WAKE.
WILLIAM WEST.
J. SEWELL.
THOMAS LANE.
H. SYMMONS.

Nº. 79

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

I HAVE duely rec'd your letter of the 13th. Instant with the sum of Rupees Rs. four thousand (4000) with the several Indents enclosed which shall be complyed with as soon as possible.

From the scarcity of Mallabar Goods in general this Season and particularly Ginger and Turmerick, I much doubt whether the quantity of those two Articles can be procured especially the former one however you may depend I'll use all possible deligence, and if the whole quantity should not be procurable shall gett such a part as I can the twenty Candys of Sapan Wood shall be provided.

The three several Accounts relating to this Factory I have rec'd and you'l please to observe by my Cash Accounts for January and February 1746/7 that you have omitted to credit me Rupees Two thousand eight hundred sixty, three quarters and sixty One Reas (Rups. 2860. 3. 61) which sum I paid the late Francisco Dias under the 24th. January and 5th. February 1746/7 by Order of the Chief and Factors, as by his Cash account to the 6th. January 1746/7 transmitted to Tellicherry that sum appeared to be due to him what other differences there are you'l please to observe by the enclosed Account, and when you please to send me the particulars of the head of this Factory as it stands on your Books 31st. July 1748 shall be able from that to frame a Sett of Books beginning August last as all the late Francisco Dias's Accounts are at Tellicherry I am unable to compare that Head.

In a very few [days] I will send you some Candles, but have little prospect as yet of being able to comply with the whole Indent of this Article, owing to the great scarcity of Wax this Year.

Yesterday morning anchored [...] Honble Masters Ships Oxford and Colchester from Fort St. Davids and sailed the same evening for your Port.

CALLICUT
THE 15TH. JANUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 16TH. FOLLOWING
PR. TONEY.

I am
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedient Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

N°. 80

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

I AM directed by the Hoñble the President and Council to forward you by this Express Boat Duplicate of their last General Letter dated the 6th. Instant also to enclose you a Pacquet for Fort St. David Presidency, which is to be forwarded thither with all possible Expedition

BOMBAY
JANUARY 11TH. 1748/9.

RECD. THE 17TH. FOLLOWING
PR. RAMBAN E. BOAT.

I am
GENTLEMEN
Your most Hble Servt.
THOS. HODGES,
Secry.

N°. 81

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Accompanying this I send you two Chests of Wax Candles, as likewise my Accounts for last Month. I am

CALLICUT
THE 18TH. JANUARY 1748/9.

RECD. THE 21ST. FOLLOWING
PR. TONEY.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedt. Hble Servt.
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

N°. 82

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

OUR Secretary wrote you last under the 11th. Instant Dup. of which comes enclosed.

Being informed by Advices from the President and Council at Fort St. David dated the 14th. Ultimo that they intended in a few day's to send the Colchester to your Port to be filled up for Europe. Likewise that they wanted to be informed from you the Quantity of Pepper that would remain on hand after the Colchester might be dispatched me Judge it necessary to advise you by this Express Conveyance that as we have been obliged to alther [*sic*] our Intention of sending the Streatham to fill up at your Port on Account of her being in want of a new Foremast. She will be dispatched home directly from hence and as by that step we shall have no other Demands for Pepper at your Settlement than for the Durrington as mentioned in our last, We would have you on receipt hereof write express to the Gentlemen at Fort St. David to acquaint them how many Tons of Pepper will be in your Warehouse after the Oxford or Colchester or both are provided for as may have happened, and that you are ready to load the same on any Ships they may dispatch to your Port for that Purpose in Consequence of our former order to your Factory.

The Durrington will in a few days be dispatched to take in the Goods you have provided for her.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends
WILLIAM WAKE.
WILLIAM WEST.
THOMAS LANE.
HUGH SYMMONS

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 17TH. JANUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 21ST. FOLLOWING
PR. FISHING BOAT.

Nº. 83

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
&CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

IN consequence of what wrote you the 6th. Instant by Pattamar a Duplicate of which comes enclosed We now dispatch to You our Hoñble Masters Ship Colchester to take in a Loading of Pepper at your Place, as the Gentlemen at Bengall have left it to us to send what Ships We may think proper to take in the Surplus Pepper mentioned by the President and Council of Bombay, to be on your Coast. As soon as We are informed of the Quantity You will have left after this Ship is fully loaded We shall then resolve upon sending another for that purpose.

By the return of the Company's Ships who have been dispatched to your side, We hope should They call at your Place that you will not omit sending us by them The Timber and Plank that has been so long lying at Tellicherry belonging to our Hoñble Masters.

We are
SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWD. CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICHD. PRINCE.
W. HOLT.
AR. YNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

FORT ST. DAVID
THE 19TH. DECEMBER 1748.
P.S. Having laden some Redwood & Salt Petre on this ship We send you enclosed Invoice and Bill of Lading for the same.
RECD. THE 24TH. JANUARY 1748/9
℔ SHIP COLCHESTER.

Nº. 84

To RICHARD BOURCHIER ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT ANJENGO.

GENTLEMEN

HAVING put on board our Honourable Masters Ship Oxford three hundred, 300 Bales and thirty Tons of Redwood as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed which being all the Tonnage We can possibly give her at present, We now dispatch her to your Place, where We hope You will be able to compleat it, but if not, desire she may be sent to Tellicherry, where with what You will put on board her, We think she must be fully loaded and for your having Directions for so doing from Bombay We have wrote to the President and Council there and hope They will arrive with You before this Ship. That she may run the less Risque, We have ordered the Commander to proceed to Gallee and on her Arrival

there to immediately send you advice thereof, and We are to request that upon Receipt of them You will send him proper Directions, He forwards this Letter to You and a Copy of Orders to him comes enclosed. We are

GENTLEMEN
Your most Hble Servts.
CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWD. CROKE.
RICHD. PRINCE.
WILLIAM HOLT.
AR. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

FORT ST. DAVID
THE 10TH. OCTOBER 1748.
RECD. THE 24TH. JANUARY 1748/9.
P SHIP OXFORD.

No. 85

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

ON the 29th. Ultimo imported our Honble Masters Ship Colchester Captain Richard Wood from Fort St. David bound for Your Port to load home, the Captain proposed proceeding [to] the Coast directly but as the Chief had been informed both by Mr. Byfeld and the Commodore of Cochien of Angrias Fleet being Cruizing off Your Port and Cochien we thought it prudent to advise him to stay here till the Oxford arrived Especially as he allowed that his Ship was but weakly mann'd for the better Security of their Ships and the Honble Company's Estate on board them.

The 30th. Ultimo Mr. Bourchier received a Letter from Captain Philip Jodrel Commander of Our Honble Masters Ship Oxford informing him that he had met with an Accident off Cape Comarine which had Obliged him to bear up for Anjengo and requested that he might be supplied with Boats and a Warehouse to put part of his Cargoe in as soon as he arrived in the Road. She has unloaded Part of her Pepper having sprung a Leake and wetted part of her Salt Petre having had three foot water in her hold, she will have all the assistance and Dispatch we can give her.

Our Honble Masters Ship Oxford imported the 1st. Instant in the Evening and sails for Your Place this day. Enclosed You will receive her Charter Party &ca. Papers received from Fort St. David.

You will please to forward the Accompanying General Letter to the Presidency by the first Conveyance.

Having sent two Detatchments on these two Ships for their better Security, we desire that they may be returned with all Convenient speed as their Absence weakens our Garrison very much.

We are
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
RD. BOURCHIER.
THOS. PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.
WM. HORNBY.

ANJENGO
THE 8TH. JANUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 24TH. FOLLOWING
PR. OXFORD.

N°. 86

To the Worshipfull Thomas Byfeld Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

I just now received your orders of Yesterday by Captain Bilderbeck (with a Pacquet for the Chief and Factors of Anjengo) in Obedience to which I received Captain Stephens to proceed as therby directed and to take the Detachment from on Board Cap^t^. Woods Ship if I can find her in making the best of my way to Anjengo as directed on the Vessells You sent for that purpose with

Rs.	qr.	reas
69.	2.	41½

Provision of which shall tender acc^t^. for the Gentlemen at Anjengo, if used. I remain with due Respect.

Ship Oxford
the 20^th^. January 1748/9.
Rec^d^. the 24 following
Oxford.

Gentlemen
Your most Obed^t^. and most Hble Serv^t^.
Roderick Forbes.

N°. 87

To Thomas Byfeld Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

This Evening came to hand your Letter of this days date, and now transmitt you this Factorys adjustment to 31^st^. July 1748, which I have drawn out from the several Accounts you sent me.

The indent for Cordage shall be comply'd with so soon as Coir is procurable, and will endeavour to gett the quantity of Wax you want, I am

Callicut.
January 22^d^. 1748/9.
Rec^d^. the 24^th^. follow^g^.
Oxford.

Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Servant
A^r^. Douglas.

N°. 88

Worshipfull Sir

This serves to advise You that Angria is Comen doun the Cost [*sic*] four of his Gallivats Yest now Pst By the Barre and One Munchua Which he as taken Last Night as Serj^t^. Watson informs me he was Obliged to Come in the River and One Soader which was bound for Goa and five Munchuas Besides Which was goen to the Northw^d^. Lase under Our Gunns If aney of Angrias Vesels should Come With in Gun shot I shall be shore to be my best indaver Against them.

I am
Maddacarra
January the 25^th^. 1748/9.
Worshipfull Sir
Your most Obed^t^. & most Obliged Hble Servant

P.S. No more of his Vessells apapries in Site when this Left me.
P^r^. Calliquiloner.

Edward Targett.

N°. 89

To Thomas Byfeld Esq^R^.
Chief &c^A^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

This is to advise you that the Merchant who has for some Years past contracted with the Honble Company for Masts came from Inland a few days agoe, when I wanted him to contract for the three large Masts wanted for the Presidency, but he assured me it was impossible to bring the three this Season, and the most he could do was to bring one of 80 f^t^. long and 26 Inches Diameter and for which he offered now to contract at the rate of Rupees nine hundred (Rup^s^. 900) to be del'd at the same time with the one contracted for in November last, therefore please to advise me whether you'l have me agree with him for it and as he will want the Sum of Rupees five hundred (Rup^s^. 500) advanced him next Month whether I may comply with his request.

By this Toney I send you two Bales q^tg^. 10 Maunds of Dammer and Mats for embaling Pepper five hundred. I am

Callicut
27^th^. January 1748/9.
Rec^D^. the 29^th^. following
P^R^. Toney.

Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Servant
Alex^R^. Douglas.

N°. 90

To Thomas Byfeld Esq^R^.
Chief &c^A^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

I dispatch this Toney express with the Accompanying Pattarahs who arrived this Evening from Fort S^t^. Davids, and am to desire you'l please to send me the Sum of Rupees four thousand for providing Stores &c^a^. I am

Callicut
the 29^th^. January 1748/9.
Rec^D^. the 31^st^. following
P^R^ Toney.

Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Servant
Alex^R^. Douglas.

N°. 91

To the Worshipfull Thomas Byfeld Esq^R^.
Chief &c^A^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Worshipfull Sir and Sirs

The 8^th^. instant we received your Letter of the 24^th^. Ultimo and are now to advise you that we have come to a resolution to send you in few days Tonage for what Pepper may be remaining at your Place after you have dispatched the Colchester, therefore request it may be got in readiness to be put on board as soon as the Ship arrives with you.

The Draughts which you inclosed to us on the Agent Victualler and Naval Storekeeper of His Majesty's Squadron have been duely received and brought to your credit.

Having put on board the Colchester eighty Tons of Salt Petre more than her Charterparty Tonage we desire it may be taken out of her and reserved to be put on board some other of our Hoñble Masters Ships unless the Commander should request that it may continue on board and go at half freight. We are

WORSHPLL. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
CHARLES FLOYER.
EDW: CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICHD. PRINCE.
W. HOLT.
ALEXR. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

FORT ST. DAVID
14TH. JANUARY 1748/9.
P.S. Inclosed we send the Copy of the Colchester's Charterpartv
RECD. THE 31ST. FOLLOWING
℔ PATTAMAR.

Nº. 92

TO THE WORSHIPLL. THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSHLL. SIR & SIRS

BY my Officers receipts we have on board One thousand and ten Robbins and thirty seven Baggs of Pepper, there was a boat that had a note for twenty Robbins, but there was but eighteen Robbins in it, I saw it myself, But if there should be a mistake the Hoñble Company will have the Pepper, having none on board but theirs, I am with respect

WORSHIPFULL SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedient Hble Servant
RICHARD WOOD.

FEBRUARY
THE 1ST. 1748/9.

Nº. 93

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you Ghee sixty nine Jars qtg. one hundred sixty Maunds, Coir three Candies, Mats for embaling Pepper ten thousand, Lances one hundred ten, a Bale qtg. two Maunds sixty Palloens of Wax, and Oil four Jars qtg. six Maunds thirty Seven and a half Palloens. I am

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedt. Hble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

CALLICUT
29TH. JANUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 1ST. FEBRUARY.
PR. TONEY.

N°. 94

To Thomas Byfeld Esq^R^.
Chief &c^A^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

This day I rec'd your Letter of the 31^st^. Ultimo with the Sum of Rupees four thousand (Rup^s^. 4000) and for which due credit will be given you.

Agreable to your Orders shall contract for the [Poon]Mast and as before advised this with the one formerly agreed for are the only two large one the Merchant is able to bring this Season, but if you will have any more contracted for, for the use of his Majestys Ships to be delivered after the Rains, please to advise me, and of their Dimentions, that I may agree for them at the same time I contract for the [three] wanted for the Presidency.

Conformable to your Directions such part of the Presidencys Indents as are provided shall be kept in readiness for shipping off. I am

Callicut
the 2^D^. February 1748/9.
Rec^D^. the 3^D^. following
℔ Toney.

Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Humble Serv^t^.
Alex^R^ Douglas.

N°. 95

To the Worsh^LL^. Thomas Byfeld Esq^R^.
Chief &c^A^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir and Sirs

Yesterday came to hand your Letter of the 19^th^. Instant ℔ Munchua with our Detatchment which went on Ship Oxford, Captain Forbes with those which went on the Colchester not being Arrived.

We are sorry to hear that those Ships have had such a tedious passage up but as they are all ready to take in Goods they can't be long taking in their Cargoes.

The Account Provisions put on board the Munchuas for the Military we have received and shall be brought to the Credit of your Factory.

As soon as we can get some Cloth packed which is lately arrived from Coletchey we shall send it up by the Anjengo Sloop, and must desire that You will Order five hundred Bales of Rice to be ready to put on board her for the use of this Garrison as we spared the men of Warr part of Ours, and we hope You are now able to send us an Invoice of the Rice we had last Year.

Anjengo
the 24^TH^. January 1748/9.
Rec^D^. the 4^TH^. February follow^G^.
P^R^. Toney.

We are
Sir and Sirs
Your most Humble Servants
Richard Bourchier.
Thomas Pattle.
Francis Fowke.

N^G. 96

To Thomas Byfeld Esq^R.
Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

This Morning came to hand Your Letter of the 22^d. Instant by Captain Roderick Forbes with our Detatchement from Ship Colchester.

This serves to return your Munchua which brought them down and

Anjengo
the 27^th. January 1748/9.
Rec^D. the 8^th. February follow^G.
P^R. Munchua.

We are
Sir and Sirs
Your most Humble Servants
R^D. Bourchier.
Thomas Pattle.
Francis Fowke.

N^o. 97

Sir and Sirs

By this Munchua I send you Firewood, please to advise me of the Number of Billets she delivers. I am

Callicut
3^D. February 1748/9.
Rec^D. the 8^th. following
P^R. Munchua.

Sir and Sirs
Your most Humble Servant
Alex^R. Douglas.

N^o. 98

To Thomas Byfeld Esq^R.
Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

We wrote you last under the 17^th. Instant ℔ Express Boat Duplicate of which comes inclosed.

This you will receive ℔ Ship Durrington on whom and the Drake Ketch we consign you ten Chests of Treasure, amounting as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading to Rupees 100,000.

As you have Contracted for a larger Quantity of Rice than usual (as noticed in our Letter to you of the 8^th. November last) we judge 2000 Bales of Champsol Rice can be well spared for the Durrington's Voyage to Mocho; we have therefore directed her Supra Cargoes to touch at Mangulore for taking the same on board, the President having wrote a suitable Order to Antonio Pires, your Contractor's Agent there And on the Arrival of said Ship at your Port, the several Articles you have provided for her are to be delivered to her SupraCargoes John Sewell Esq^r. Cap^t. Richard Crabb and M^r. William Machenzie [*sic*], in part of her stock, as is to be the Rice abovementioned. The Ship proceeds hence under their Orders.

Having received some Madeira Wine ℔ Ships Durrington and Stretham, you will herewith receive your Proportion thereof as ℔ Invoice, charged at Prime Cost, being the same Rate the Covenant Servants here have paid for it. There is likewise some on board for Anjengo Factory which you are to send thither by the first proper Conveyance writing them concerning it as above.

The Drake now Proceeds in Company of the Durrington which Vessell you are to detain till she be joined by one of our Grabs. But in [case] any Private Ships should be bound hither, which you judge will be of sufficient Force, joined with the Drake to defend themselves against Angria, then dispatch her without waiting for the Grab, sending upon her such Cordage or Timber as may be in readiness.

We now return you on the Drake Ketch Seven People belongg. to your Garrison who were Evidences against Serjeant Robinson as ℔ List enclosed. They have received their Pay to the end of this Month and as they will be provisioned on board the Drake, You must demand of Captain Dick an Account thereof duely Crediting this Presidency for the Amount, and send a Copy of said Account hither.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 25TH. JANUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 8TH. FEBRUARY FOLLOWING
PR. DURRINGTON.

WILLIAM WAKE.
WILLIAM WEST.
J. SEWELL.
THOMAS LANE.
H. SYMMONS.

Nº. 99

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

THIS is purposely to advise you that this Night I reced a Letter from Robert Baldwin Master of the Anjengo Sloop bound to your Port (and now at Anchor off Beepore) advising me that our Honble Masters Ship Doddington Captain Mason from England and bound to Bombay was at Cochin the 7th. Instant, that most of the Ships Crew was Sick not having above twenty Men fitt for service and that she had sent on shore at Cochin forty or fifty Men as likewise that she would be Obliged to Continue there till recruited.

Yesterday anchored here a Portuguese Ship from Maccaw bound to Goa. I am

CALLICUT
THE 8TH. FEBRUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 9TH. FOLLOWING
PR. TONEY.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Hble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

Nº. 100

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

WE wrote you last under the 27th. Ultimo and now enclose you Invoice of the twenty four Bales of Cloth and four Chests of unserviceable Stores and Gunpowder Dust sixteen Barrels amounting to Rupees Eight thousand six hundred sixty one two Quarters and thirty Eight Reas (8661. 2. 38) the Cloth we make no doubt you have Orders from the Presidency to load on board any of Our Honble Masters Ships bound to Great Britain. and the Old Stores please to forward to Bombay by the first Conveyance.

Enclosed you will also receive Calculate of the Tonnage of the 24th. [*sic*] Bales of Cloth.

As it is not improbable that we may have an Opportunity of providing Rice for our Garrison out of some of the Bengall Ships please to advise us by the first Opportunity what Mangulore Rice will stand the Honble Company in ℔ Bale with all Charges that we may embrace the Most favourable for our Honble Masters Interest.

Please to return the Sloop as soon as possible as her service is wanted here.

ANJENGO
THE 2D. FEBRUARY 1749.
RECD. THE 14TH. FOLLOWING
PR. SLOOP.

We are
SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
RD. BOURCHIER.
THOS. PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.

No. 101

SIR AND SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you, three thousand seven hundred and fifty Mats for embaling Pepper, Small Bamboe Mats ten thousand nine hundred and thirty, Large Bamboe Mats three hundred thirty five, Capaut Coir two Candies nineteen Maunds and thirty Palloens Cordage six Coils 2½ Ins. 6 Coils 3 Ins. 8 Coils 4½ Ins. 4 Coils 6 Ins. and 1 Coil 7 Ins. Pz. seven Cands. eighteen Maunds and ten palloens Wax Candles four Chests qtg. twenty Maunds, Oil seven Jars qtg. sixteen and a half Maunds. I am

CALLICUT
THE 9TH. FEBRUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 15TH. FOLLOWING
PR. MUNCHUA.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

No. 101 [*sic*]

TO THE WORSHLL. THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

INCLOSED comes Duplicate of our last of the 14th. Instant and this is chiefly to advise that We have resolved to send the True Briton to take in Loading of Pepper at your Place, and shall dispatch her in a day or two.

We are
WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants

FORT ST. DAVID
23D. JANUARY 1748/9.
RECD. FEBRUARY 12TH. FOLLOWING.
PR. PATTAMAR.

CHAS. FLOYER.
EDWD. CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICHD. PRINCE.
WILLM. HOLT.
ALEXR. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

N°. 102

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
AND THE GENTLEMEN IN COUNCIL AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

I BEG leave to acquaint you that the Drake Sloop Arrived here this Morning with a supply of Military and Militia for me, which I have received on Board and am greatly thankfull, and much Obliged to you for the same, I hope my Men will be able to Walk in 5 or 6 days they are already much better; I shall dispatch the Drake Sloop to Morrow. I am

COCHIN
SHIP DODINGTON.
FEBRUARY THE 11TH. 1748/9.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Humble Servant
BENJN. MASON.

P.S. I'll do my endeavours to sail from hence for Tellry. in 6 or 7 Days.
RECD. THE 16TH. FOLLOWG.
℔ TONEY.

N°. 103

To THE WORSHIPFULL THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS OF TELLICHERRY.

WORSHLL. SIR & SIRS

LAST Night just as We were going to dispatch to You the Accompanying Letter We received your Favour of the 17th. Instant and at present have nothing more Material to Add.

We are
WORSHLL. SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants

FORT ST. DAVID
30 JANUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 16TH. FEBRUARY FOLLOWG.
PR. PATTAMAR.

CHAS. FLOYER.
EDWD. CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICHD. PRINCE.
WM. HOLT.
ALEXR. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

N°. 104

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSHLL. SIR & SIRS

THE Duplicate of what We wrote You the 25th. Instant by our Honourable Masters Ship True Briton with the Papers that Accompanyed it, we send you inclosed and this is chiefly to forward the Accompanying Packet from the Honble

Court of Directors that we received Yesterday by his Majesty's Ship the Tartar who left England in June and touched at the Cape where had been our Honble Masters Ships Pelham, Somerset and Dodington.

We are
WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants

CHA^{S}. FLOYER.
EDW^{D}. CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICH^{D}. PRINCE.
W. HOLT.
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

FORT S^{T}. DAVID
THE 29TH. JANUARY 1748/9.
REC^{D}. THE 16TH. FEBRUARY FOLLOWING.
P^{R}. PATTAMAR.

N^{O}. 105

TO THE WORSH^{LL}. THOMAS BYFELD ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRS

HEREWITH comes Duplicate of our last to you by Pattamar; This comes on the Honble Company's Ship True Briton whom We advised We should send you to take in a Loading of Pepper for Europe.

She has on board Eighty Tons of Salt Petre and twenty four of Redwood for which You have Invoice and Bill of Lading Inclosed also her Charterparty and List of her Compliment of Men.

The Honble Company write Us in a General Letter dated 10th. May last, as follows "As Hostilities are ceased Our ships must be dispatcht directly home "To Us after the 19th. October next, in the usual manner as before the Com- "mencement of the War, by directing The Commanders to proceed to our Island "S^{t}. Hellena and after refreshing there for a few days to make the best of their "Way to the Downes." and further in another Paragraph.

"Notwithstanding the above, in case any Men of War are bound Home, "and any of our Ships can conveniently join Them, we would have them come "in Company with such Men of War for their greater Security till further "Orders.

We herefore advise you (if you have not particular Directions from Bombay relating to dispatching of the Homeward Bound Shipping) to give the Commanders directions in case of meeting in their Passage or at S^{t}. Hellena with any of the King's Ships bound Home that they put Themselves under their Convoy, which may be very proper as We may imagine upon a Peace the Sea will swarm with Pirates.

We have put on board this Ship for S^{t}. Hellena two Tons of Rice and Two Tons of Sugar.

We are
WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDW^{D}. CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICH^{D}. PRINCE.
WM. HOLT.
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

FORT S^{T}. DAVID
THE 25TH. OF JANUARY 1748/9.
REC^{D}. THE 16TH. FEBRUARY FOLLOWING.
P^{R}. PATTAMAR.

N°. 106

To the Worshipfull Thomas Byfeld Esq^R^.
Chief &c^A^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Worshipfull Sir and Sirs

Being in want of Money to purchase Stores and Provision for the use of my Ship I now request your Worship &c^a^. Factors will be pleased to furnish me with Seven thousand five hundred Rupees agreeable to the Terms of my Charterparty. I am

Tellicherry
February 15^th^. 1748/9.

Worshipfull Sir and Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
R^D^. Crabb.

N°. 107

Sir and Sirs

By this Toney I send you six hundred twenty five Mats for embaling Pepper. I am

Callicut
the 13^th^ February 1748/9.
Received the 17^th^. following
℔ Toney.

Sir and Sirs
Your most Humble Servant
Alex^R^. Douglas.

N°. 108 [*same as No. 105*].

To the Worshipfull Thomas Byfeld Esq^R^.
Chief &c^A^. Factors of Tellicherry.

Worshipfull Sir & Sirs

Herewith comes Duplicate of our last to you by Pattamar, This comes on the Honble Companys Ship True Briton whom We advised We should send you to take in a Loading of Pepper for Europe.

She has on board Eighty Tons of Salt Petre and 24 of Redwood for which You have Invoice and Bill of Lading Inclosed, also her Charterparty and List of her Compliment of Men.

The Honble Company write Us in a General Letter dated 10^th^. May last as follows " As Hostilities are ceased, Our Ships must be dispatcht directly Home to " Us after the 19^th^. October next in the Usual manner as before the Commence- " ment of the War by directing the Commanders to proceed to Our Island S^t^. " Hellena and after refreshing there for a few days to make the best of their way " to the Downs. and farther in another Paragraph

" Notwithstanding the above in case any Men of War are bound home and " any of our Ships can conveniently join them, we would have Them come in " company with such Men of War for their greater security till further Orders.

We therefore advise You (if You have not particular Directions from Bombay relating to dispatching of the Homeward Bound Shipping) to give the Commanders Directions, in case of meeting in their Passage or at S^t^. Hellena with any of the Kings Ships bound Home that they put themselves under their Convoy which may be very proper as We may imagine upon a Peace the Sea will swarm with Pirates.

We have put on board this Ship for St. Hellena two Tons of Rice and two Tons of Sugar. We are

FORT ST. DAVID
THE 25TH. JANUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 18TH. FEBRUARY FOLLOWG.
℔ TRUE BRITON.

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants

CHAS. FLOYER.
EDWD. CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE
RICHD. PRINCE.
WM. HOLT.
ALEXR. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

NO. 108 [*sic*]

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

YOU will receive this by the Drake Sloop on board of which I have loaded such Goods as were provided for the Durringtons Mocha Voyage as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed, I directed Captain Dick to take in board such Stores as were provided for the Presidency, but he did not comply therewith his reasons for which you'l please to observe by the enclosed Letter. I have given Captain Dick orders to make the best of his way to your Port. I am

CALLICUT
THE 16TH. FEBRUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 18TH. FOLLOWG.
PR. DRAKE SLOOP.

SIR & SIRS
Yr. most Obedt. Hble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

NO. 109

SIR AND SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you sixteen thousand eight hundred seventy five Mats for embaling Pepper, Small Bamboe Mats nine hundred ninety, fifty five large Bamboe Mats, Oil eight Jars qtg. twenty Maunds, sixteen Palloens, Capaut Coir three Candies six Mds. Spirits of Wine one Jar qtg. seventy nine Bottles. I am

CALLICUT
THE 17TH. FEBRUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 20TH. FEBRUARY FOLLOWG.
℔ MUNCHUA.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Hble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

NO. 110

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

BY this Munchua I send you nine Bales qtg. 2¼ Candies of Turmerick which with what sent the 16th. Instant ℔ Drake makes 29¾ Candies and is ¼ Candy short of what you ordered for the Durringtons Mocha Voyage which ¼ of a Candy will be sent to morrow There likewise goes five Maunds of Ginger which with what before sent does not make the quantity of that Article ordered, nor have I been able to gett it owing to the produce not being much this Year and the great demands there has been for it, as likewise some of the Merchants having advanced Money for it in October last, notwithstanding which they have been disappointed in the quantitys they contracted for.

You will receive by this Munchua twelve Chests for Cardamoms and twelve Powder Chests.

Our Honble Master Ship Doddington passed by the Port this day.

Enclosed you'l receive my Accounts for last Month and am

CALLICUT, FEBRY. 19TH. 1748/9.
RECD. THE 21ST. FOLLOWG.
℔ MUNCHUA.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

Nº. 111

TO THE WORSHLL. THOS. BYFELD ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND THE GENTLEMEN IN COUNCIL AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

I HAVING several of the Honble Companys Soldiers on Board that are very ill in the scurvy I humbly request that you will be pleased to order them on shore and give me other Men in their room.

TELLICHERRY
FEBRUARY 21ST. 1748/9.
RECD. THE 22D. FOLLOWING.

I am
GENTLEMEN
Your most Hble Servant
BENJA. MASON.

Nº. 1[12]

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. COUNCIL.

GENTLEMEN

I HAVE given Orders to my Chief Officer to deliver the Honourable Companys Pacquet for Bombay, to whomsoever you will be pleased to order it, to be delivered to. I shall be in readiness to proceed for Bombay in two days.

TELLICHERRY
FEBRUARY 20TH. 1748/9.
RECD. DITTO DIE.

I am
GENTLEMEN
Your most Hble Servant
BENJN. MASON.

Nº. 113

SIR & SIRS

BY this Toney I send you a Bale of Turmerick for Ship Durringtons Mocha Voyage. I am

CALLICUT
THE 20TH. FEBRY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 23D. FOLLOWG.
℔ TONEY.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedient Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

N°. 114

SIR AND SIRS

I NOW dispatch the Drake Sloop with Sundry Stores as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed, There still remain here Stores for the Presidency which Captain Dick told me he could not take in his Vessel being full. I am

CALLICUT
THE 21ST. FEBRUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 23D. FOLLOWING
PR. DRAKE SLOOP.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Humble Servt.
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

N°. 115

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR AND SIRS

THIS is purposely to desire you will be pleased to send me a Supply to Rupees four thousand (Rups. 4000) for providing Stores &ca.

This afternoon anchored a little to the Southward of this port a Danes Ship from Trankebar. I am

CALLICUT
THE 22D. FEBRY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 23D. FOLLOWG.
PR. TONEY.

SIR AND SIRS
Yr. most Obedt. Hble Servant
AR. DOUGLAS.

N°. 116

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

WE wrote you last on the 25th. Ultimo Duplicate whereof you will receive herewith, and on the 9th. Instant reced your Advices of the 14th. of that Month with the Accounts Enclosed.

This you will receive by the Restoration Grab which we have ordered to Accompany the Stretham dispatched hence directly to great Britain as far as the latitude of your Port, when Capt. Leake is directed to proceed immediately thither, and follow your Orders; We would have you therefore return her hither as soon as possible in Company of the Drake Ketch with the Timber indented for, for the Dock Gates and such Stores as they can conveniently receive on board, giving them Orders to Convoy such Bengall or other Country Ships and Vessells as may be in readiness to Embrace the same.

As you acquainted us in your Advices of the 1st. Novr. last that you had made so large a Provision of Mangulore Rice as wou'd amot. to Rupees 40000 which we judge is much more than you can have immediate occasion for, more especially as it is to be hoped the Cessation of Arms will end in a Peace, we would have you therefore send us on the return of these Vessells four thousand Robins thereof send us likewise at the same time all the Cardamoms you may have reced.

We now consign you on the Restoration Grab the sum of Rupees Twenty two thousand (22000) being all the new Money we have, nor can we at prezent procure any Gold at a reasonable Rate, however we shall not be unmindfull of supplying you further with Treasure in due time.

In regard to the Pease that have lain so long at your Place for the Men of War, we shall desire of Capt. Powlet to received [*sic*] them on his Majesty's Account in case he should touch at your Port in his return to Fort St. David.

As Tulajee Angria is Ventured so low as Cochin with his whole Fleet you did well in Ordering out Boats to the Northward and Southward to prevent any Trading Vessels falling into his hands.

We observe that the Chief has lately had a Conference with the Prince, and that you are like to be on the same good Terms with him as formerly, which is always very pleasing to us, as well as your being so with the other Country Powers round you.

If the Chief and Factors at Anjengo should make any Application to you for Warlike Stores, such Musquets, Powder, Ball &ca. we would have you supply them as far as your own occasions will admit without too much reducing your own Stock.

We observe that you had Spared the Carpenter of Ship Durrington one of the Masts designed for the Men of War, but in case you have not recd. the Amount thereof of him, you must take care that it be duly paid for by Capt. Crabb.

The Cuddalure Sloop built here for the Service of Fort St. David Presidency we now dispatch in Company with these Vessells, and on her arrival at your Port we would have you lade on board her as much Pepper as the Master can conveniently receive on board which consign to the President and Council of Fort St. David and dispatch her thither with the same at the proper Season.

We observe that the Poon Masts last recd. from your Place are charged at much higher rates that they used to be, for which we expect the Resident at Callicut will give a satisfactory reason.

We shall shortly reperuse your several Advices hither, and to the Honble Company, and write you more fully, and likewise examine your several Accounts which at present we have not sufficient time to do tho we observe your Garrison Expences continue to run very high, But as we are in hopes of speedly receiving advice of a General Peace, which will admit of your reducing them into the Compass they were in before the War.

Let the enclosed Indent for Timber and Candles for the use of our Land Pay Office be complied with as soon as possible.

BOMBAY
THE 14TH. FEBRUARY 1748–9
RECD. THE 28TH. FOLLOWING
℔ RESTORATION GRAB.

We are
Your Loving Friends

WILLIAM WAKE.
WILLIAM WEST.
THOMAS LANE.
HUGH SYMMONS.

No. 117

SIR AND SIRS

By this Munchua I send you nine hundred Bales of Chunam. I am

CALLICUT
THE 27TH. FEBRUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 1ST. MARCH FOLLOWG.
℔ MUNCHUA.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

N°. 118

To the Worshipfull Thomas Byfeld Esq^r^.
Chief of Tellicherry &c^a^. Factors.

W°. Sir & Sirs

My Officer informes me I shall be ready to sail on Wednesday or Thursday at farthest, I am with respect.

Febr̃uary 4^th^. 1748/9

Worsh^ll^. Sir & Sirs
Yr. most Obed^t^. Hble Servt.
Rich^d^. Wood.

N°. 119

Sir

I have received on Board what Goods you sent for the Ship Durringtons Voyage which last lumbered the Vessel so that we are obliged to keep apart on deck, between our Guns, which I have Complyed with as the passage is so short, and no great danger from Enemys in Gales of Wind therefore cant possible take on Board any of what Goods you have mentioned for the Presidency. I am

Drake Sloop.
in Callicut Road
16^th^. Febr̃y 1748/9.
Rec^d^. the 17^th^. follow^g^.
W^m^. Toney.

Sir
Your most Hble Servants [*sic*]
William Dick.

N°. 120

To the Worship^ll^. Thomas Byfeld Esq^r^.
&c^a^. Council.

Sir and Sirs

The Resident of Callicut has acquainted you with what plank and Cordage I have taken on board the Drake which is as much as we could stow to keep the Vessel clear. I must only beg leave to put out 25 Plank of 26 foot long and 3 Inches thick which I have brought up on deck in the way of our Guns which cant be put any where Else without being cut for which I have orders to the Contrary and can take in no more goods of any kind. I am

Drake Sloop
February 23^d^. 1748/9.

Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
William Dick.

N°. 121

To Thomas Byfeld Esq^r^.

Sir

Having Rec^d^. a Letter from Cap^t^. Henry Broadly of the Hoñble Companys Ship the True Britton now Lading at your Port wherein he Desires me to detain my Ship till he is Ready to sail which he Judges will be to morrow and that it will be for the Hoñble Companys Interest to proceed in Company together to Enable us to make the Better defence in Case of being Attack'd by an Enemy.

This is to Request you will inform me the Exact Time you Can be able to Dispatch him that I may Act Accordingly, in doing which you'l Oblige.

TELLICHERRY ROAD
MARCH THE 1ST. 1748/9.

SIR
Your most Obedt. Humble Servant
WILLIAM PINNELL.

Nº. 122

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

THIS day I received your Letter of the 27th. Instant with the sum of Rupees Four thousand (Rups. 4000) for which Credit will be given you.

The Danes Europe Ship is still here, having hitherto taken on board ninety six Candies of Pepper, of which from time to time I have duely advised the Chief thereof. I am

CALLICUT
THE 28TH. FEBRY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 2D. MARCH FOLLOWG.
℔ TONEY.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Hble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

Nº. 123

SIR & SIRS

BY this Munchua I send you firewood, please to advise me of the Number of Billets she delivers. I am

CALLICUT
THE 27TH. FEBRUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 5TH. MARCH FOLLOWG.
℔ MUNCHUA.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

Nº. 124

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

I AM now to advise you that the Danes Europe Ship after having taken on C[s.] M[ds.]
board 113. 2. of Pepper sailed this afternoon for Pannana, where I am informed there is between three and four hundred Candies of Pepper ready provided for her which so soon as she has taken in I hear she will then make the best of her way for Europe. I am

CALLICUT
THE 4TH. MARCH 1748/9.
RECD. THE 5 FOLLOW.
℔ TONEY.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

N°. 125

To Mr. Douglass.

Sir

Please to order on Board the Restauration Cordage twenty Nine Coiles from 3½ to 4 Inches, and the Eighty Plank of 3¼ Inches thick, the other Stores, I cannot take in, as I cannot get those Large Timbers in my Hold or half Room to Coyle those Cables there, my Desks I must keep Clear as I may go up a single. I am

Callicut
March 11th. 1748/9.

Sir
Your most Hble Servant
T. Leeke.

N°. 126

To Thomas Byfeld Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

This you'l receive by the Restauration Grab which anchored here yesterday and now dispatched to you with such Stores as Capt. Leeke informed us he could take in The Invoice and Bill of Lading goes enclosed.

Callicut
the 12th. March 1749.
Recd. the 14th. follwg.
℔ Toney.

We are
Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Hble Servants
Alexr. Douglas
Thos. Benton.

N°. 127

To Thomas Byfeld Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

This serves to advise you that our Honble Masters Ship Prince William anchored here this afternoon from Bengall, and Capt. Webber having notice of the Restauration being at your Port he sent to us to desire We would advise you that he wants to go to the Northward in Company with the Grab, and that his stay at this Port would be at the most but three days.

Enclosed you'l receive this Factorys Accounts for last Month, and desire you'l send us a supply of Rupees Five thousand.

Callicut
the 14th. March 1748/9.
Recd. the 15th. follwg.
℔ Toney.

We are
Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Hble Servants
Alexr. Douglas.
Thos. Benton.

N°. 128

To the Worsh^ll^. Thomas Byfeld Esq^r^,
Chief &c^a^. Factors.

Worsh^ll^. Sir & Sirs

I Yesterday Received from the Secretary a List of what Stores are Ready here for the Presidency, and an order for to give in an Account of what I can take on Board the Grab, I have taken in at Callicut so much Plank of 3¼ Inches Thick, that stores 11 heights one upon another the length of the Main Hold w^ch^. w^th^. what Cordage I allso Rec^d^. fills me up, I can take in 60 Bags of Pease which is mentioned for the Use of his Majestys Ships w^ch^. will Compleatly fill the Vessell below her Deck and should I endeavour to take in any thing more, it will Lumber my Deck and Render me unfit for Action, I am

Tell^ry^. 16^th^. March 1748/9.

Worsh^ll^. Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Servant
Tho^s^. Leeke.

N°. 129

Gentlemen

You must have remember^d^. when I was athose [*sic*] yesterday. they I toald you I was to full they I had not room to take any thing on board and I was willing to have dispos^d^. of some things at a small proffit to have made a clare [*sic*] Ship to you find Gentlemen I have not the leay room to spare otherways I should be glad to oblige you and the Gentlemen of Tellicherry with any thing I was able to come. besides me time will not admitt of me staying here to long as I am to late in the season I hope each of those reasons will be judg^d^. sufficient and boath a full satisfaction to you. I am

Ship Prince William
in Offing off Callicut.
March 16^th^. 1748.

Sir
Your very Hble Servant
W. Webber.

N°. 130

To the Worsh^ll^. Tho^s^. Byfeld Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Wors^ll^. Sir & Sirs

Your Letter of the 22^d^. Ultimo We have Received and as from what You therein write us of the Quantity of Pepper You had in Warehouse which We imagine will be more than you will be able to put on board the Dorrington and Ships We have sent You We have therefore come to a Resolution to dispatch to You Our Honble Masters Ship Winchelsea (who will sail in a day or two) to take in what may be remaining, as We have been disappointed in our Investment at the Northern Settlements whereby We had not sufficient Tonnage to dispatch her to England at this Season, though intend to do it in May wherefore We request she may be returned to us in time for that purpose, The Timber and Plank belonging to Our Honble Masters that has been so long lying at your Place We desire may be also sent Us on her.

On the 3^d^. Instant arrived here our Honble Masters Ship Pelham for England who parted Company with the Somerset the 15^th^. Decem^r^. in a hard Gale of Wind, and as We have not yet seen that Ship here imagine she must have proceeded

directly to the Bay. as the Honble Court of Directors have ordered these two Ships to be sent to China as soon as the Season will permit with such Goods as can be procur'd proper for the Canton Market We are therefore to request you will get three hundred Candys of Sandall Wood or what part thereof can be procured and sent Us in time to put on board them.

On the 23d. We dispatched our Honble Masters Ship Porto Bello for Great Britain.

FORT ST. DAVID
25TH. FEBRUARY 1748/9.
RECD. THE 16TH. MARCH FOLLOWG.
℔ PATTAMAR.

We are
WORSLL. SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
CHAS. FLOYER.
EDWD. CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICHD. PRINCE.
W. HOLT.
ALEXR. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

No. 131

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLRY.

SIR & SIRS

THIS Morning we recd. your Letter of Yesterdays date, and immediatly sent off a Toney to the Ship Prince William (which was sailed) with a Letter to Captain Webber desiring he would take on board the Stores laying here for the Presidency especially the nine Timbers as they were much wanted there, his reasons for not complying therewith you'l please to observe by the enclosed Letter to us.

Enclosed we send you Captain Leekes Letter assigning his reasons for not taking on board the Grab all the Stores that were laying here for the Presidency.

By this Sloop we send you eight Hawsers of five Ins. nine Hawsers of seven Ins. and Eight Timbers 24 ft. long, 16 Ins. broad and 12 Ins. thick, We are

CALLICUT
THE 16TH. MARCH 1748/9.
RECD. THE 18TH. FOLLOWING.
℔ TONEY.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.
THOS. BENTON.

No. 132

TO THMOAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

I HAVE recd. a Letter from your Secretary Requiring me to take in Sundry Stores laying here for the Service of Bombay Presidency which I am to acquaint you Gentlemen I would readily comply with, was not my Ship already quite filled up with freight and other Goods from Bengall however as the Chief has informed me the twenty five Plank or [*sic*] three Inches thick and twenty five feet long may be much wanted, I will do what lays in my power to stow them upon the Ships Booms or else where if youll please to send them off this afternoon. I am

TELLRY.
THE 18TH. MARCH 1748/9.

SIR
Your most Obedt. Hble Servt.
WM. WEBBER.

N°. 133

To the Worsll. Thos. Byfeld Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors.

Sir & Sirs

According to your Orders I survey'd the Hawk Sloops Cable and find it to be Rotton and Useless. I am

Tellry.
March 19th. 1748/9.

Sir and Sirs
Yr. most Hble Servant
Thos. Leeke.

N°. 134

To Thomas Byfeld Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

Your General Letter of the 1st. Instant come to hand the 7th. and the 8th. the True Briton and Stretham anchored here, and sailed the same Night taken in a little Water to Compleat their Store. The former sprung a Leake after she left Tellry. which they had the Good fortune to find out and stop in this road.

As we have not been able to supply our Garrison with Rice out of any of the Bengall Ships we must desire that you will provide us 2200 Bales 700 of which the Anjengo Sloop will be able to bring down and the Remainder please to send on some Munchua.

Please to forward the Enclosed Packet to the Presidency by the first Conveyance.

Last Night passed our Honble Masters Ship Prince William from Bengall bound for Surrat and suppose will arrive with you before this comes to hand.

Anjengo
the 12th. March 1748/9.
Recd. the 20th. following.

We are
Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble Servants

Rd. Bourchier.
Thos. Pattle.
Francis Fowke.

N°. 135

Sir & Sirs

By this Munchua you'l receive Chunam six hundred and fifty Bales, Baskets eight hundred Large Bamboe Mats fifty, small fiveteen Corge, Wax Candles three Chests Laccadiva Coir Cordage fifteen Coils and Oil three Jarrs qtg. seven Maunds and Powder Chests four. We are

Callicut
the 17th. March 1749.

Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble Servants

Recd. the 20th. followg.
℔ Munchua.

Alexr. Douglas.
Thos. Benton.

N°. 136

To the W°. Thos. Byfeld Esq^r.
Chief &c^a. Factors at Tell^ry.

Gentlemen

Your Letter to us p. the Cudalure Sloop with the five thousand (5000) Rupees las[t] Indented for came to hand the 24^th. Inst^t. when she immediately proceeded for Anjengo; This Money being purposely to pay for Stores already provided, We are now to request a further supply of two thousand (2000) Rup^s. for defraying the usual Charges of this Factory as well as providing other Stores Indented for which will be got ready with all Convent^t. expedition.

The Merchant who Contracted for the Poon Masts for the service of his Majestys Ships, representing that he cannot possibly comply therewith till the month of June next and if we chuse to accept of them at that time desires to be advanced the other four hundred (400) Rupees agreeable to his former Contract and Giving for Reasons that the Rivers Inland are now dry'd up by which they are convey'd to this place, and there being no possibility of a land Carriage, occasions our giving you this timely Notice, wherefore we request your further Directions on this head, tho' we beg leave to remark that we have all the reasons to believe that nothing has been wanting on his part towards but filling his Contract having been at a very extraordinary expence for that purpose.

Agreeable to your several Letters to us under the 7^th. Instant M^r. Alex^r. Douglas has delivered over his Charge of this Factory with all Stores Books papers &c^a. any ways relating to the Hoñble Companys Affairs to M^r. Thomas Benton, Inventory whereof Goes enclosed.

Manoel Netto delivering an Account of the Estate of Francisco Dias with the Hoñble Company wherein it appear^s. that there is a Ballance due of Eighty Eight Rupees fifty six reas to the said Estate on Account of the Plank provided for Fort S^t. Davids presidency, we desire to know if the same may be discharged.

We being in want of a M^d. of Nails and 300 Oyster Shells for the use of the Factory, request the same may be sent been [*sic*].

Callicut
26^th. March 1749.

Gentlemen
Your most Obed^t. Hble Servants
A. Douglas.
T. Benton.

Rec^d. the 27^th. follow^g.
℔ Toney.

N°. 137

To the W°. Thos. Byfeld Esq^r.
Chief &c^a. Factors at Tell^ry.

Gentlemen

Your favour of yesterdays date came to hand in the evening with two thousand (2000) Rupees, 300 Oyster Shells and 1 M^d. of Nails all which will be brough[t] to Account agreable to your directions.

I shall duely observe what you say in respect to the poon Masts intended for the Service of his Majestys Ships, and recov^r. the amount advanced on that Account out of hand. As likewise comply with your Storekeepers Indent with all convenient expedition.

This day arrived a Dutch Deserter from Cochin who being desirous of entering into our Service, I now send him for the further notice he has been advanced one days provision. I am

CALLICUT
APRIL 2D. 1749.
RECD. THE 4TH. FOLLOWG.
℔ TONEY.

GENTLEMEN
Yr. most Obedt. Hble Servt.
THOMAS BENTON.

Nº. 138

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

ON the 28th. Ultimo we recd. your Advices of the 24th. Febry ℔ Ship Doddington, which we shall reply to in a few days by her, This being purposely dispatched by a Boat Express to direct you to provide two hundred Tellry. Candy's of Sandall Wood one half of which is to be of the 1st. sort and the other of the 2d. but if not procurable in those Proportions then as nigh them as you can, and You are to hold the same in readiness against the Doddingtons Arrival being designed for in part of her Cargoe to China. We are

Your Loving Friends

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 4th. APRIL 1749.
RECD. THE 11TH. FOLLOWG.
PR. RAMBAN E. BOAT.

W. WAKE.
W. WEST.
T. LANE.
C. CROMMELIN.
H. SYMMONS.
JAMES HENRY LAMBE.

Nº. 139

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

CONFORMABLE to our Orders from the Honble the President and Council of Bombay We now send You what Bales we have ready packed being forty two amounting to as ℔ Accompanying Invoice Rups. 11258. 2. 22. We Expect to have a few more, ready against the return of the Sloop.

In our last we desired You would procure for the use of this Garrison Two thousand two hundred Bales of Rice, please to put as many Bales on board the Anjo. Sloop as she can conveniently Carry, and reserve the same Quantity for her return, and the remainder Please to freight on the best Terms you can and the sooner the better as our Surff runs high some times in April.

Having Occasion for two Cloths or four Pieces of Coarse red Broad Cloth to Compleat our Military Clothing and Twelve Pieces of Blew Perpetuanoes if You can spare them please to send them by the Sloop, but if you cannot supply us

please to add that Quantity to Your Indent to Bombay. Please to lett the Sloop loose as little Time as possible that she may make the second Trip before the bad weather setts in.

ANJ°.

THE 19TH. MARCH 1748/9.

We are

SIR & SIRS

Your most Hble Servants
RD. BOURCHIER.
T. PATTLE.
F. FOWKE.

P.S. By this Conveyance You'll receive a Packet Box containg. Our Diary and General Books which Please to forward to the Presidency by the first safe Conveyance.

℔ RD. BOURCHIER.
T. PATTLE.
F. FOWKE.

RECD. THE 11TH. APRIL 1749
℔. TONEY.

N°. 140

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS

ON my arrival att Callicut this Day from Anjengo which Port I left the 20th. of March bound for Tellry. having on board 42 Bails of the Honble Companys Cloath Consigned for your Port this being my first Opportunity I have had to advise you of my being on my Passage to Tellry. and with Dificulty gott so high Up the Coast the Season being farr spent, the land winds are so Inconsiderable they are of little, or no service to us at all: and the Sea wind Continually Blowing from the N.W. and W.N.W. with a strong Currant setting to the S°. ward which has Render'd Our passage hitherto Difficult for what we have Gain'd has Been Against Wind and Currant, Though Our Vessell is not well Calculated for that Purpose.

I have sent the Pacquet Directed for the Chief and Factors of Tellry. Together with a Pacquet Box for the Governr. &ca. Council at Bombay to Mr. Thos. Benton to be forwarded by him to Tellry. and am Preparing to Proceed for Your Port with all Expedition where I hope to be in a few days. But In case we should not Gett to Tellry. by the 20th. Inst. it will not be safe to keep the Sea any longer on Account the Monsoon setting in which may happen Sooner or Later: and if the Rice Can be Conveighed Down By any Munchuas which may take our Bails at the same time, we can take 800 Robins of Rice which if you think Proper of it will be the quikning Our Voige if not Intirely the means of saving it If we Continue Untill the 25th. We Cannot Return to Anjengo the Season Will be to far spent to Land Any Dry Goods as Rice the Surff will be so Learge [*sic*] there If we Continue so long we shall be Obliged to Goe into Bayapore River, or some Place of Security Therefore Gentlemen I must Depend on Your Dispatches or your Instructions befor that time is Expired or I must mak[e] Shure of Bayapore. For in my Opinion its not safe for any Vessel being on the Coast Without a Good Harbour or Roadstead not doubting But most of you Gentlemen are Acquainted with the monsoons and its times of setting in is so Uncertain.

We have Occasion for some Stores which are wanted very much On board and cannot be gott at Anjengo the peculars [*sic*] is Incloasd in an Indent. in Pecular [*sic*] 3 Tarrpaulings which we cannot well do without which is all at presᵗ. Begging Leave to subscribe

FROM ON BOARD THE ANJᴼ. SLOOP
AT ANCHOR IN THE ROAD OF CALLICUT.
APRIL 9ᵀᴴ. 1749.

RECᴰ. THE 11ᵀᴴ. FOLLOWᴳ.

WORSᴸᴸ. SIR & SIRS
Your most Devoted Hble Servᵗ.
ROBᵀ. BALDWIN.

Nº. 141

TO THE WORSHIPFULL THOˢ. BYFELD ESQᴿ.
CHIEF &Cᴬ. FACTORS AT TELLᴿʸ.

GENTLEMEN

I NOW send you 22000 Matts 8 Caˢ. of Dammer and 3 Maund of Country Twine, I have enquired for the portuguese Paper Indent for but at present there is none to be had. I am

CALLICUT
APRIL 11ᵀᴴ. 1749.

RECᴰ. THE 12ᵀᴴ. FOLLOWᴳ.
℔. MUNCHUA.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedᵗ. Hble Servᵗ.
THOˢ. BENTON.

Nº. 142

TO THE WORSᴸᴸ. THOˢ. BYFELD ESQᴿ.
CHIEF &Cᴬ. FACTORS AT TELLᴿʸ.

WORSᴸᴸ. SIR & SIRS

CONTRARY Winds and Currents having drove the Winchelsea back to Negapatam and the Season being now very late we are not without Apprehensions that She will be obliged to return back again without gaining her passage round Ceylone though We have sent Orders to the Commander to make another Tryall to effect it, which if He should not be able to do, The Timber and Plank and Sandall Wood

we wrote to you about in our Letter of the 25th. February we are to desire you will not omit sending Us by some of the shipping Bound here that may touch at your place.

We are
WORSLL. SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWD. CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICHD. PRINCE.
ALEXR. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

FORT ST. DAVID
3D. APRIL 1749.
RECD. THE 20TH. FOLLOWG.
P. PATTAMAR.

No. 143

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS

ON the 11th. Instt. I left Callicut Bound for Tellry. and on the 14th. Ditto five Leags S B W. from the Sacrifice Rocks we was taken with a Gale of Wind at W N W. which came to Wt. and W S W. to S W and lasted abt. 24 hours. During which time our sails was splitt and all to pieces Excepting Our foresail Which we Preserved with Great dificulty with which I Plied to Windward as well as Could be possibly Expected and on the 15th. in the morning found Ourselves 3 Leags to the No. ward of Chittwa the wind coming to S W. we was obliged to ware and stand to the No.ward and at 1 in the Afternoon Being hawsd in shore By the sea and for want of sail, within 2 miles of the River of Pananie the wind Shifting to W S W. we was Obliged to lett goe an Anchor but found it Impossible to ride should the wind Continue in that Quarter as it threatn'd much, so that We could not Clear the shore either One way or the other at which time our Pumps being Choakd as was Our Limbers by the ballast Which was sand and nothing but matt and Bamboes to Keep it from the Outside plank and Our sails in so shattord a Condition I concluded to Goe into the River of Pananie Accordingly I made signalls for a pilot or Boat to Come off to us: the Dutch Factor sent several but none Could sum off the Seas Run so high and att 2 in the Afternoone finding no Asistance and the making much water together with the Seas which Broke on our Deck for want of Tarpaulings did Us much Damage I thought it Better to risque the Going into the River than the followg. Nights Danger which Appeared very Dismall should we have been driven on shore in the Knight [*sic*] it was Impossible to save Either Goods or Our Lives: there I slip'd my Cable and by Gods Assistance we Got safe Over the Barr Which Run Prodigious high and we Lett go an Anchor or in a small Cove which Lies between the Rivers mouth and the Surff with every thing as safe on board as the day we left Anjengo at which time Numbers of Boats Came to us in a manner to Assist us as they said to hawl the Sloop into the River for we Could not lie their in the Station we was any time But Instead of Asisting us they Strove to Ruin us and by their means hawld the Sloop on a bank which was very nigh us we Cut the Mast by the board as the Sloop struck very hard on the Bank and on the Tide of floods Coming in the Sea made a Breach Over us Notwithstanding we hawld the Sloop of in the Rivers mouth where the Kings people took pocesion of her from us and taking out the Bails she Being two thirsd [*sic*] full of water when they Ordered us on shore and I believe would have Murder'd us if we had not swam on shore Where the Kings Rajedore stood Ready to Receive the Bails And Even my Cloaths they began to plunder Like an Enemy or worse than Pirats. they took out all the Bails which was 42 and 3 small bails of private Trade and put into a Warehouse by the Rajedore and before Sunsett she was full of water Lying at the mouth of the River and this Morning Could see Only her Boulsprite and Taffriel I Desired the Rajah to lett the Bails be Opned and Washd with Fresh water which they said they Could not untill the Kings Orders: as for the Sloop I believ: theyl not hawl his on shore though they

make Pretentions so to do and I believ [*sic*] his to be Irecoverable. If they will Deliver any of the Goods I will stay untill I have your Answer My Cloaths the[y] plundered and with much adoe I got as much as to shift me I have sent a Coppy of this Letter to the Chief and Factors att Anjengo and am Waiting for Your Answer in What manner to proceed Had not the Factor of Panany stood my friend I know not what we should have done for foode Worthy Gentlemen as this has been our sad Misfortune to fall into the hand of a Treacherous People I hope Youl not Cast any Reflections on my Conduct seeing I did the best of my Endeavour to preserve boath Sloop and Cargo but as fortune has Ordered it otherwise it was not in my Power to Resist therefore Gentlemen I Rely Intierly on your Bounty and good Will and I am Begging Leave.

PANANY
APRIL THE 17TH. 174[9].

Wo. SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servant to Comd.
ROBT. BALDWIN.

P.S. I had 3 small Bails on board one of Mr. Williames the other of Mr. Farrin at Anjo. the Other My Own Which I beg Youl Pleas to mention as the Companies when you Wright [*sic*] to the Samorine King or otherwise they'l know its private Trade it will be lost.

Had we only Good sails Panany this day had not Contained us which was not wanted for Want of mention my at Anjo. I am Bare of Money to bare any Expences to stay hear and was obliged to borrow a small sum to supply Our People with foode of the Dutch Factor therefore I shall be obliged to you Gentlemen to supply me with a Little Money if You think proper of my Continuing hear any time Concerning the bails.

RECD. THE 21ST. FOLLOWG.
℔ TONEY.

No. 144

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLRY.

SIRS

JUST as we had closed the accompanying we recd. Advices from Fort St. David Presidency dated the 2d. Ultimo.

Observing from thence that the Winchelsea was appointed for the Service the Elizabeth woud otherwise have done we woud have you load on board said Ship all the Pepper Cardamoms and Anjo. Cloth in Wareho. consigning the same with three hundred Cas. of Sandall Wood if procurable to the Presidt. and Council at Fort St. David. And as the Elizabeth is to take in Goods on the Honble Companys Accot. at Anjo. and the season is far advanced we woud have you send on board the Winchelsea such Masts as are lying at your Settlement or Callicut belonging to his Majesty concerng. which Capt. Pawlet now transmit

suitable Directions. But in case the Winchelsea, by any Accidt. should not be with you when this Ship arrives you are to observe the Directions in Our Letter of Yesterdays date.

BOMBAY CASTLE
APRIL 15TH. 1749.

We are
Your Loving Friends

RECD. THE 25TH. FOLLOWG.
BY SHIP ELIZABETH.

WILLIAM WAKE.
WILLIAM WEST.
THOS. LANE.
CHAS. CROMMELIN.
JAMES HENRY LAMBE.

No. 145

TO THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLRY.

SIRS

ENCLOSED is Duplicate of our last under the 4th. Instt. And as we hourly expect to receive your Advices by the Restoration Grab, we shall defer reply-[ing] to those of the 24th. Febry till the Doddinton sails which will be in a few Days.

This comes by Ship Elizabeth bound to Fort St. David at present in his Majestys Service the Commander of whom being directed by Captain Powlett to receive any Goods the Honble Company might have to send to that Presidency we would have you without Loss of time ship on board [her] whatever Plank or other Stores has been indented for from thence. Likewise as much Pepper as she can take in having Regard to the eight Cables the Ship is Ordered to receive at Anjo. for his Majestys Service.

Captain Powlet now transmits suitable Orders for sending the [. . .]

[*The subsequent portion of this letter and letters No.* 146 *and* 147 *are missing.*]

No. 148

[*The earlier portions of this letter are missing in the original volume.*]

woud permitt We have recd. by her a thousand Robins of Rice but in such [bad] package that on weighing three hundred and thirty six of the broken Bales by two that were whole there arises a Loss of no less than sixteen Bales and six pounds, which must fall on our Honble Masters if you can't get redress of the purchaser we never saw such bad Package from Mangulore. The freight being saved is also an advantage to Our Honble Masters for the Rice is so dear we cou'd not lay it upon the Garrison.

Our Accot. Current with your Factory to the last of July 1748 we have recd. and no[w] send you particulars of a small Omission amounting to Rups. fifteen two qrs and fifty one reas (15. 2. 51) which you will please to regulate. When you have closed the Accot. Cost of this Rice please to send it us to bring into our Books.

The Pipe of Madeira Wine with its Invoice we have recd. & shall bring it to Account.

We intend to return the Anjº. Sloop for the remainder of the Rice as soon as she arrives her[e].

ANJº.
THE 31ST. MARCH 1749.
RECD. THE 26TH. APRIL FOLLOWG.
℔ TONEY.

We are
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
R. B.
T. P.
F. F.

Nº. 149

TO THE WORSHLL. THOS. BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLRY.

GENTLEMEN

YESTERDAY came to hand your favour of the 22d. Instt. and agreable to your directions immediately forwarded the Chiefs Ola to the Samorine as likewise your Letters to the Gentlemen at Anjº. and Mr. Robert Baldwin at Penany where I have sent Manoel Netto and duely observed the other Particulars of your Letter.

This morning came to hand a Letter from Mr. Robt. Baldwin thô mentions nothing further than what you are already advised of only that he has sent the greatest part of the Sloops Crew to Anjengo.

As yet I have recd. no Answer to the Ola wrote the Samorine so that I have nothing further to add at present than I am

CALLICUT
APRIL 24TH. 1749.
RECD. THE 28TH. FOLLOWG.
℔ MUNCHUA.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
THOS. BENTON.

Nº. 150

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS

THIS day I recd. your Letter of the 22d. Instt. by the hands of Manoel Netto Linguist To whome I delivered a List of what Goods &ca. Stores was in the Sloop when the Kings People took possession of his not being able to Give a Certain Account of What they have taken Out of his the 15th. Instt. at Night when they turned us out I with my People went to the Dutch factory and all that Night Untill 2 in the morning they were Emploid in taking out the Goods when they Cast off the Ropes that was made fast to the Shore and the freshis of water coming of the mountains down the River Carried her out in to the Middle of the Channell where she sunk and att Sun Rise the 16th. and 18th. they Did nothing to the Sloop the 19th. their Came four Divers from Callicut which they Emploid to Gett out the Remainder of his Cargo since which they have taken out 10 Bales an[d] by the Best Intillegence I can Gett they have get only 20 of the Honble Companies bails with some Other Stores mentioned in this List the 23d. Instt. one of the Divers was drounded in the hould of the Sloop since which none of the Other Divers would Venture to Gett out any more.

The Rajedore Ask'd me w[h]at must be done to Recover the mainder of the Affects when I informed him there was only these two methods, Viz Either to hawl his on shore Which they might Easily have done, or by Weighing his by two Munchuas. the Which must be loaded With sand or filled with Water and than made fast on Each side the Sloop would be buyant [*sic*] and of the Ground when they might have hawled his into the River or Elseware Convenient. but it is of Little Afect to tell them Anything: for its Impossible to put them Out of their Own Road.

In my Letter of the 17th. Instt. which I wrought [*sic*] to your Worship &ca. Council wherein I mentioned the Goods where all saved but It was a Miss imforma-[tion] as it hapned thus.

On the 16th. Instt. the Rajadore sent for me and I desired the Dutch Factors Linguist to Acompany me when the Rajedore Enquired What Goods was in the Sloop When I told him the Peculars of Every things and by mis Interpretation I was told they were all on shore: but since I have found the Error and they say no more than 20 Bails from first to this day the 25th. they are Emploied now Intending to hawl the Sloop on shore Which if they do with a Real Intent they may Accomplish, I having nothing more of moment to informe you Worthy Gentlemen but that I am now Departing for Anjo. and have Left with Manoel Netto a List in General Every thing that was belonging to the Sloop and of Every thing I can be informed is Got on shore and I am begging Leave Worthy Gentlemen to subscribe myself.

PANANY
APRIL THE 25TH. 1749.

WORSLL. SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient and Humble Servant

ROBT BALDWIN.

P.S. As to my List their may be several things more on shore than I can be Inform'd of Neither Will they Lett me see Untill they have the Kings Answer therefore I cannot be Pecular in my List.

RECD. THE 1ST. MAY FOLLOWG.
℔ TONEY.

No. 151

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLRY.

SIRS

We wrote you last under the 15th. Instant ℔ Ship Elizabeth.

We have not as yet recd. your Advices by the Restoration Grab, nor have we heard any thing of her since she must have left your Place: But being uncertain of having any other good oppertunity before the Rains we now Consign you ten Chests of Treasury amounting as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading to Rups. 100008. --. 10. Out of which you are to supply Anjo. Factory with that they may require, which we at present cannot lett for want of their Advices

Enclosed is copy of Sundry Parahs. of the Honble Companys Commands to this Presidency ℔ Ship Dodington which are to be duely regarded Also Copy of a Notification sent to Surat relating to the Dutch Pretentions to an exclusive right of Trade in Ophium &ca. which when properly varied, and signed by the Chief is to be Affixed at the usual Places in your Settlement.

We understand there is a small Parcell of Putchuck lying at Tellry. for sale, If you find it is good we would have you purchase it as cheap as you can, but do

not exceed Sixteen Rupees And as soon as that and the Sandall Wood formerly ordered, are on board, you are to give Capt. Mason Orders to make the best of his way for Canton, conformable to the Orders he has received here.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 23D. APRIL 1749.
RECD. THE 1ST. MAY FOLLOWG.

WILLIAM WAKE.
W. WEST.
THOS. LANE.
CHAS. CROMMELIN.
H. SYMMONS.
JAMES HENRY LAMBE.

No. 152

To THOS. BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLRY.

GENTLEMEN

I AM directed by the Honble President and Council to acquaint you that on this Ship they have returned you Ensign George Harris with his Detachment consisting of one Serjeant one Corporal and twenty four Private Men who have recd. their Pay from this January last to the End of this Mo. and for whom provisions are put on board for Ten days.

They have also sent you a Clock for the Service of your Settlemt. as ℔ the Receipt Enclosed the Value of which you will be advised in the next General Letter to your Factory.

I am with Respect
GENTLEMEN
Your most humble Servant
C. CUMMING
Dep: Secry.

BOMBAY CASTLE
APRIL 24TH. 1749.
RECD. THE 1ST. MAY FOLLOWG.
PR. SHIP DODDINGTON.

No. 153

To MR. ROBERT BALDWIN.

SIR

OUR Letter of the 16th. Instt. came to hand this day and with Concern we read the mallancholly [*sic*] Loss of our Honble Masters Sloop Anjo. which by your Account seems enterely owing to the villany of the Moors of Panany and as you seem to have acted in the best manner you coud for the Security of the Vessell and Cargoe by putting into the River, when you thought the Vessell cou'd not ride it out at Sea we see no room at present for to blame your Conduct.

We approve of your writing to the Chief and Factors at Tellry. as they have a Factory in the Sammorines [*sic*] Country and are the most likely to gett redress and would have you follow all Orders you may receive from those Gentlemen for your further proceeding in this Affair.

We make no doubt that you have informed the Gentlemen at Tellry. of the three private Bales that they may put them into their Demand.

Anjo. the 24th. April 1749.
Recd. Via Callicut the 6th. of May follows.
℔ Toney.

We are
Sir
Your Loving Friends
Rd. B.
T. P.
F. F.

No. 154

To Thomas Byfeld Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellry.

Sir & Sirs

We have recd. your Letters of the 22d. & 27th. Ulto. and duplicate of the former.

It is with great Concern that we have recd. a Confirmation of our Honble Masters loss of the Anjo. Sloop purely this the Villany of the Moors at Panany, and we make no manner of doubt that you will be able to get satisfaction for both Sloop and Cargo as Panany is a Port of great Trade not supposing that the Samorine will Protect them in their barefaced Villany. Mr. Baldwin is returned here with the Sloops People.

We this day dispatched the Cuddalore Sloop for Fort St. David but have not put any Cloth aboard her, not [*sic*] have we any Packd.

Where the Rice was lost we Cant say, but are much Surprized that you sould [*sic*] find a surpluss on your weighing and measuring of a hundred Bales; which is such a piece of honesty as we never heard of Amongst Mallabars and our Factory is still the more unfortunate as the last Eight hundred Bales falls twenty Bales short of what they should Contain.

Your Military which were on board the Cuddalore, you will find returned by the Munchuas.

What Occasions this Present dispatch is our being greatly alarmed at on not hearing of any Treasure a Coming down for this Factorry, when we have a Cloth Contract for 30000 Pieces of Cloth and probably may have a Pepper Contract in a short time but if we are not supplyd with at least thirty thousand Rupees before the Rains, neither one nor the other can be fullfilld. so we must desire that if possible you will send us down that Sum immediately the weather is at Present very fair and no manner of Appearance of its being otherwise, which gives us great Ropes [*sic*] that it will Continue till the next full Moon.

Anjengo
May the 2d. 1749.
Recd. the 10th. follows.
℔ Toney.

We are
Sir and Sirs
Your most Obedient Hble Servants
Rd. B.
T. P.
F. F.

N°. 155

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLRY.

SIR & SIRS

AGREEABLE to directions given us by the Chief at Maddacarra we have taken a state of that Island Report of which we now deliver you and according to the best accounts we could get at that time the same will bring the Honble Company in Annually fifty one thousand seven hundred nineteen and a half Dungoys of Neally being what the Renters tell us they paid to the Prince but on asking his Rajadores for an Account of the same they told us they laid no stipulated Rent on any particular Person but took such a consideration from them as might be thought reasonable at the Reaping of the Crop. so that we propose (with your approbation) in the Month of July or August to take Vereadores and Survey it again when the Neally will be grown up to such a height as will enable them to form a just judgemt. of what is reasonable for each Man to Pay.

The whole of the Island was not cultivated though the same appeared to us to be as good land as that which was sown and is owing we imagine to want of People or from the heavy oppressions usually laid on the Renters by the Princes Ministers it is also capable of further improvemt. towards the River side which is now overrun with Bushes for the most part round the Island which if cut down would make exceeding good Salt Pans which we imagine will now be easy to get People to undertake on giving them the same Rent free for a term of Years for defraying the Charges they may be at in the undertaking.

We are told by those that are competent judges that the whole Island is a very rich soil and capable of further improvement both as to extending the Verge lands and planting Coconut Trees (which latter there is not at present Twenty off) though the same may be planted on the Banks of their Verges and hereafter bring in a very considerable Revenue to the Honble Company which you will form a better judgment of by Mr. James Hoggs report whom we left measuring the Island.

The Princes Ministers Pattaly in our presence summoned the Inhabitants of Maddacarra and the Renters of the lands thereon and made a Publick declaration of the Princes Gift of the same to the Honble Company declaring from that day forward his Masters having relinquis'd all right and title to the same and that those living thereon where [*sic*] under the Honble Companys protection Directing them to pay a due obedience to the orders of the Chief of Tellicherry.

TELLRY.
16TH. MAY 1749.

We are with Respect
SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
JOHN ROBINSON.
RD. SECKER.

N°. 156

To THOMAS BYFELD ESQR.
&CA. FACTORS.

SIR & SIRS

Agreable to your direction we have this day weighed off the Remains of Old Pepper in the Honble Companys Warehouse being three hundred seventy nine Candys sixteen Maunds and nine pounds (379. 16. 9) and now deliver in an Account Currant of the Rups. and Issues thereof from the 31st. of Decr. 1743 to the 28th. April 1749 since which the Warehouse has not been cleared and only so small an allowance made as 2 ℔ Cent for loss in Weight on nine hundred Candys shipt on the Hardwicke and Northampton for China besides which there now appears on the adjustment a further loss of one thousand five hundred twenty

seven Candys sixteen Maunds seven pounds and a half on Eighteen thousand five hundred sixty two Cas. and twenty four Pounds and a half received since the time abovementioned which being upwards of six years is owing we imagine to the waste in Garbling Drying and what is Worm Eaten which last Particular is unusual though Musters of the same was produced last Year for inspection as is also now done by.

TELLRY.
MAY 17TH 1749.

SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
JOHN ROBINSON.
RD. SECKER.

No. 157

TO THE WO. THOS. BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLRY.

SIR & SIRS

THE 16th. Instt. We dispatched a Boat to inform You of the Accident which had happened to the Cuddalore Sloop, which rendered her incapable of returning to Tellry. in Time for her dispatch for the other Coast.

Your Munchuas arrived this morning with the 800 Bales of Rice which we have immediately landed that the Vessells may save their passages back and we hope they will accomplish it as the weather is very fair at present when you settled Accounts with the Mangulore factor you will please to send us the Account cost of the Rice.

While writing this we have an Account from Porca that the Anjengo Sloop is lost at Panany and that one European and four Lascars are arrived at Porca but we can't yet clearly understand in what manner she was lost, but they say that the Honble Company's Cloth seized by the Moors at Panany for which we hope you will be able to gett redress when we have a fuller Account of this Misfortune we will inform you over land.

It is too late to Expect the Winchelsea and as she miscarryed in her first Attempt there was little hopes of Success in the Second.

The Corporal and four Europeans which were on board the Cuddalore we return on these Munchuas who have been advanced Rupees Eighteen (18) which please to give this Factory Credit. We are

ANJENGO
THE 23D. APRIL 1749.

SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants

RECD. MAY 9TH. FOLLOWG.
℔ MUNCHUA.

RD. BOURCHIER.
T. PATTLE.
F. FOWKE.

N°. 158

To the Worsll. Thos. Byfeld Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellry.

Wo. Sir and Sirs

The Winchelsea after making a further Attempt to gain her passage round Ceylone not being able to effect it returned here again the 7 Instt. and very Unfortunately with forty four more Vessells was Wrecked by a very hard Gale of Wind that We had here the 13th. & 14th. Instt. amongst which Number were his Majestys Ships Namure and Pemboke both of which were at Anchor in this Road till the 13th. in the Evening when they cutt or slipt their Cables and endeavoured to get out to sed [*sic*] but the Wind being far Easterly, they could neither of them Weather Cauldroon Point which lyes to the Southward of this Place about ten Leagues wherefore the former came to an Anchor and very soon after Foundered and the latter struck as She was endeavouring to get round it with all the sail out she could carry and split immediately on board of which Ships about 950 Men perish'd and not above thirty five, saved their Lives. The Lincoln with the Winchelsea came ashore about a Quarter of a Mile to the Southwd. of the Fort, and lost very few of their People the Hulls of which Ships are still entire but our Honble Masters Ship Princess Augusta that was Wrecked a few miles to the Southwd. had several of her hands drowned. The Apollo Man of War we are not without Apprehensions has shar'd the same Fate, As there is no News of her and she was seen, in the heighth of the Storm very near in Shore, Close by a place to the Southwd. called Deve Cotah, where we are informed there is a Ship Wreeck'd but can't get any further Information one [*sic*] of her, The Tartar Deal Castle and Swallow Sloop Man of Warr with the Honble Company's Ship Edgebaston that were all going to the Southwd. carryed away all the Masts the three former of which are now in our Road, and the latter off Pondicherry very much shattered where Mr. Duplex has greatly Assisted her. The Somersett Royal George and Rhoda who arrived here the 16th. from Bengall met with the Gale off Ceylone but very fortunately none but the Rhoda suffered any thing to speak of which Ship was very near being oversett, The Wind having laid her upon her Broad side when her Cargo shifted in the Hold, but upon her cutting away her Top Masts she soon rightd thô is shattered a good deal as is also several Country Ships, that are now lying in our Road of which a Number also were wreecked and some belonging to both the French and Dutch.

The 7th. Instt. we recd. Advice by the Unfortunate Ship Pembroke who arrived here that day from Colombo that the Syren Man of War of Twenty Guns from England which she left the 28th. August had put in there greatest part of her people being sick from the Length of her passage, wherefore she staid there to recover them, When she came away as the Packet she brought out for Admiral Boscawen mentions The peace was not proclamed but great preparations were making for it, and the Ships of Our Nation had free Access to the French and Spanish Ports. We are in daily expectation of seeing her here and imagine there must certainly be a packett for Us from the Honble Court of Directors on board her as we are Informed they have sent out some Treasure On her.

Fort St. David
the 21st. April 1749.
Recd. the 11th. May followg.

We are
Worshipll. Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble Servants

℔ Pattamar.

Chas. Floyer.
Edwd. Croke.
Stringer Lawrence
Richd. Prince.
W. Holt.
Alexr. Wynch.
Foss Westcott.

N°. 159

To the Wo. Thos. Byfeld Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellry.

Gentlemen

By these Toneys you will receive two hundred and twenty One Somerades (221).

Callicut
May 14th. 1749.
Recd. the 16th. follow.

I am
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
T. Benton.

N°. 160

To Thomas Byfeld Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellry.

Sir & Sirs

We have your Several Letters of the 28th. Ultimo and 10th. Instt. to which we shall now reply.

The Cuddalore Sloop we dispatched the 2d. Instt. for Fort St. David having no Pepper in our Warehouse ro [*sic*] Cloth ready Packet.

The Deficiency in the Rice is certainly owing to pi[l]ferage and nothing else, And where that pilfering has been we cant tell, Mr. Holland declared here he told the Chief at Tellicherry that the Package was very bad before it was shiped on board the Sloop but as there is no likelyhood of any redress we shall not trouble Your ourselves any further about it.

The Royal Duke and Elizabeth both called here and took in the Cables for Admiral Boscawens Squadron which one of them would not have done. Captain Ambrose Lawrence Commr. of the Elizabth died the day after the Ship left Callicut & is succeeded in the Command by Capt. Edwards Wills.

The two Anchors and the Chests of Arms ℔ Ship Elizabeth we have recd. but the Arms differ so widely from what you mention that we shall be obliged to return you sixty nine of them by the first Conveyance that offers being unserviceable.

Enclosed you will receive Copy of the report made by our officers who were ordered to Examine them.

Yesterday came to hand your Letter of the 10th. by a Sergeant with 30,000 Rupees which will be sufficient for Carrying on our Business till the Monsoons open and we now return the Serjeant with his nine Men as you desired.

We having sent you by the Anjengo Sloop an Invoice of the Cloth sent on her be pleased to give this Factory Credit for that amount as the Goods Treacherously cast on shore at Panany comes under your Care to recover you may state it in your Books according to the Issue and if there be any probability of recovering the Sloop or her Value which is Rups. 7648. 1. 46 you will give as Credit for the same if otherwise we must write her off to proffit and Loss. And we must desire you will send us the Accot. Current of this Factory before the last of July if possible that we may bring the several Charges to Account before we close this Years Books.

The 14th. Instt. arrived a Pattamar from Fort St. David with advice of the most violent storms they had on the 13th. and 14th. Ultimo that has been known in India forty seven sail of Ships being lost amongst which Number are his Majestys Ships Namure of 74 Gunns and Pembroke of 60 Gunns and the Apollo

is also supposed to be lost of our Honble Masters Ships are the Winchelsea Lincoln and Princess Augusta built at Bombay all Nations have suffered in the General Calamity both Indians and Europeans.

Enclosed is Our Paymasters Accounts of what supplied the Detatchment which came down with the Rice on the Cuddalore Eighteen Rups. of which has been mentioned in our former Advices to you.

ANJENGO
THE 18TH. MAY 1749.
RECD. THE 27TH. FOLLOWG.
Via CALLICUT.

We are
SIR AND SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
RD. BOURCHIER.
T. PATTLE.
F. FOWKE.

Nº. 161

To THOS. BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLRY.

SIR & SIRS

THE Gentlemen at Anjengo in their Letter of the 18th. May having made mention that the Small Arms sent them p Ship Elizabeth differed from the Accounts We transmitted, and you having deld me the report said to be made by their officers, and at the same time calling upon me to deliver in my reasons how the same arose, I now beg leave to inform you that I was at the packing up four Chests which were all new Arms and in the same Condition We recd. them from the Presidency the remaining four Chests were Arms that had been used, and that none might be sent but such as were in good condition I made the Stores people in my Presence examine every Muskets and after having seen the same comply'd with I left my assistants pack them up, however that you may be thorougly satisfied in this affair I now request that you will send for the Stores people before you and examine them in the strick[t]est manner possible. I am

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
ALEXR. DOUGLAS.

TELLICHERRY
THE 3D. JUNE 1749.

Nº. 162

To THOS. BYFELD ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLRY.

SIR & SIRS

Agreable to your directions of last Council I have made the Necessary enquiry Concerning the Package of Rice sent to Anjo. by the Cuddalore Sloop which I find was in good order but shall be glad you will send for Pedro Vagoes who will give a particular account of the same. I am

TELLRY.
9TH. JUNE 1749.

SIR AND SIRS
Your most humble Servant
RICHD. SECKER.

N°. 163

To the W°. Thos. Byfeld Esq^r.
Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

This Pattamar is Dispatched purposely to forward the Accompanying Ola from the Samorine to the Chief. Enclosed are my Monthly Accounts for March April and May. By the last Months Cash Account you will observe how very low that Article is with me at present theref[ore] if you can any ways conveniently send me a supply of two thousand Rupees (2000) for defraying the usual Charges of this Factory during the Rainy Season you will oblige

Callicut
June 12^th. 1749.
Rec^d. the 15^th. follow^g.
℔ Pattamar.

Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
Thos. Benton.

N°. 164

To the W°. Thos. Byfeld Esq^r.
Chief &c^a. Factors of Tell^ry.

Wors^ll. Sir & Sirs

Our last to you was dated the 21^st. April Duplicate of which is enclosed.

On the 21^st. May imported here from your place our Honourable Masters Ship Elizabeth by which We rec^d. your favour of the 28^th. April last as also the Pepper and Plank which turned out agreable to Invoice and for which we shall Credit Bombay Presidency.

The Packet which you sent Us for the President and Council of Bengall we forwarded the same to that Presidency the 28^th. May.

On the 14^th. Inst^t. imported here from Great Brittain our Hoñble Masters Ship Griffin Captain Thos. Dethick [*sic*] which Ship sailed from thence in Company with the Sandwich, Montfort, Augusta and Tavistock the 26^th. January last in a hard Gale of Wind in the Channel. The Dragon sailed three Weeks before them but as yet we have no News of her.

The 28^th. Instant Arrived here Our Hoñble Masters Ship Sandwich Captain Petree She left England the same time with the Griffen and pa[r]ted from the rest of the Ships in a hard gale of Wind in the Channell.

The Company have appointed Commissarys out of the Council here to receive Madrass from the French which Place is to be subordinate to this till further Orders.

M^r. Barwell is dismissed the Company Service and M^r. Dawson Appointed President of Fort William as is M^r. Eyles Second.

Our Hoñble Masters Ships Rhoda and Griffin sailed for China the 28^th. Inst^t. and we shall dispatch the Sandwich in a few days for that place as likewise the Royall Duke.

Fort S^t. David
[30^th.] June 1749.
Rec^d. 15^th. July follow^g.
℔ Pattamar.

We are
Worshipfull Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble Servants
Charles Floyer &c^a.

N°. 165

To Thomas Byfeld Esq^R^.
Chief &c^A^. Factors at Tell^RY^.

Sir & Sirs

I now transmit you Disbursements & Cash Account for June in the latter you'l please to observe that the balance of Cash is but two hundred and twelve Rup^s^. three Quarters and eighty one reas (R^s^. 212. 3. [81]) which is not near enough to defray the charges of this Month therefore beg you'l supply me w^th^. one thousand R^s^. as soon as you can conveneant^t^.

Callicut
July 15^TH^. 1749.
Rec^D^. the 19^TH^. follow^G^.

I am
Sir and Sirs
Your most Humble Servant

P^R^. Pattamar.

R^D^. Secker.

N°. [166]

To the Worshipfull Tho^s^. Byfeld Esq^R^.
Chief &c^A^. Factors at Tellicherry.

W^o^. Sir & Sirs

The Duplicate of our last bearing date the 30^th^. Ul[timo] You will receive herewith, and we have now the satisfaction to Acquaint You of the Arrival here of the Dragon, Walpole, and Brittania all belonging to our Hoñble Masters.

Inclosed We send you Extract of the 5^th^. Praragraph [of the] Hoñble Companys Letter to this Presidency by the Dragon wherein [...] they direct Us to send their Own Ships Lapwing, Dolphin [New Castle] Dragon to your Place, Anjengo, or Bencoolen, from the latter of [which] New Castle is lately Arrived here, as there has been such a fatality there [among] the Planters from the Small Pox that the Pepper Plantations have Greatly suffered, so that She Could not be loaded from thence therefore [*Subsequent portion lost.*]

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